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BIG "BLITZ" IN TEN DAYS!

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BAIT FOR RUSSO-JAPANESE 'RAPPROCHEMENT'

"Germany is undoubtedly preparing to move fast. I think that there will be tremendous developments in about ten days", declares Senator George who is an intimate friend of Mr. Cordell Hull, the U. S. Secretary of State. The statement, it is believed in Washington, is based on "new and unexpected information."

American aircraft have flown to the Far East. German intervention to bring about a "rapprochement" between Russia and Japan is reported. Japanese army contingents are already being moved southwards to Hainan from Formosa and Japan itself, according to a New York report.

Military observers who have arrived in Turkey from Rumania reveal that Germany has 25 divisions, of which seven are mechanised and three armoured, in Rumania. German aircraft also, they state, have been arriving in large numbers.

Big Events In Ten Days?

WASHINGTON Feb. 21.

A vigorous attempt, it is understood, is being made to induce the House of Representatives to vote concurrence in any changes in the Lease and Lend Bill immediately the Senate passes it.

The task of persuading the House is understood to have been undertaken by Administration Strategists under the leadership of the skilful Senator George. The object is to prevent loss of time which would be involved when the Senate and House Committees consider the Bill.

Explaining his actions Senator George said to-day:

"Germany is undoubtedly preparing to move very fast. I think that there will be tremendous developments in about ten days."

Senator George, who is an intimate friend of Mr. Cordell Hull, did not reveal whether the remark was based on new and unexpected information, but some quarters conclude that it is.

AMERICAN PLANES FOR FAR EAST

Confirmation that planes are being flown across the Pacific to the Far East was obtained to-day when the British Embassy announced that aircraft were being flown to the Far East from the west coast of the United States. The Embassy refused further details.

A New York report states:—

Approximately 200 Lockheed and Consolidated Companies' bombers originally intended for the R. A. F. in England are being flown across the Pacific from California to Singapore, according to the "Herald Tribune."

It is learned, adds the paper, that 70 Curtiss P 40 pursuit planes (latest and fastest standard of the American Army Air Corps fighters) are being transported by sea to nationalist China while 12 retired United States pilots have landed in Netherlands East Indies where they will be flying instructors.

RUSSO-JAPANESE RELATIONS

CHUNGKING: It is suggested in well-informed Chinese quarters here that in an effort to bring about a Russo-Japanese rapprochement, Germany is urging Japan to return the southern part of the Island of Sakhalin to Russia. In return, it is proposed that Russia should agree to enter into a Non-Aggression Pact with Japan.

JAPANESE ARMY MOVES SOUTH

NEW YORK: — Japanese Army Contingents are being transported southward from Formosa and even from Japan itself, according to confirmed reports, says a Dow Jones Agency Shanghai Telegram. The troops are presumably bound for Hainan or northern Indo-China.

CONTROL OF MOBILISATION

TOKYO:—A closer control of general mobilisation is provided for in a Bill passed by the House of Peers to-day. This Bill which amends the National Mobilisation Act will, it is understood, become law immediately after Royal assent has been given.

MATSUOKA DENIES

Mr. Matsuoka declared to-day that in his capacity of Foreign Minister he had made no proposal of mediation to any specific country, says the Domei Agency.

Mr. Matsuoka explained to the Agency that he had replied to an inquiry made by the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden, regarding the question of mediation between Thailand and French Indo-China and he took the occasion to express his views on the establishment of world peace which he had cherished for a long time.

The Foreign Office spokesman also insisted at the Press Conference that Mr. Matsuoka's message should not be regarded in the light of a mediation offer.

JAPAN AND AXIS

The latest Japanese statement about the Far Eastern situation is a warning that Britain and the United States are trying to separate Japan from the Berlin-Tokyo-Rome Axis. This is contained in an unofficial article in the "Nichi Nichi Shimbun" which warns Japan to be on guard against attempts to draw her away from the Axis.

BALKAN MOVES

ISTANBUL: German troops in Rumania total at least 25 divisions of which seven are mechanised and three armoured, according to competent military observers who have recently arrived here from Rumania.

Since the beginning of February, they state, German aircraft have been arriving in large numbers. Two of the mechanised divisions are at Constanza and another at Sibiu. It is stressed that these are minimum figures. —Reuter.

SOFIA: Although it was officially denied here this morning, there are strong reasons for believing that German engineers did in fact throw a pontoon bridge across the Danube near Giurgiu yesterday afternoon as a test bridgehead to the Bulgarian bank. It is stated that rails laid across the bridge would even allow the passage of a military train.

Soldiers hard at work on the morning of January 1st on their immense job of clearing up the debris which littered London streets after the great Sunday night "Fire-Blitz".

Satyagraha Campaign

BOMBAY, Friday.

A batch of three Congressmen selected by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee for offering Satyagraha to-morrow, sent intimation to the Commissioner of Police this morning. The batch includes Mr. Ajit G. Desai, Mr. T. Lokesh and Mr. Madhusudan Chaubey.

Mr. Desai proposes to offer Satyagraha near the Royal Opera House at 6-45 p. m. Mr. Chaubey intends to offer Satyagraha near the Mahajan Association, Sheikh Memon Street.

Mr. Lokesh proposes to shout anti-war slogans at the junction of Pherozeshah Mehta and Cowasji Patel Street at 5-30 p. m.

WOMAN SATYAGRAHI SENTENCED

(From Our Correspondent.)

THANA, Feb. 20.

Mrs. Hirabai Harischandra Meher, a Congress-worker of Satpati Tal. Palghar who was arrested yesterday for offering Satyagraha at Satpati and brought down here was tried to-day by the Thana Additional District Magistrate, under Rule 38(1)5 of Defence of India Rules.

The Satyagrahi pleading guilty to the charge, she was convicted and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 50 or in default one month's simple imprisonment. She is given "C" class in case fine is not paid and default sentence is undergone.

Prof. Dantwala Arrested

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 21.

Prof. Mohanlal Lalubhai Dantwala who was to offer Satyagraha to-day at 4-30 p.m. at Maneck-Chowk, Ahmedabad was before doing so arrested under Section 129 of the Defence of India Act and taken to Sabarmati Central Jail.

Three Satyagrahis who were arrested while shouting anti-war slogans were tried and sentenced today to six months' simple imprisonment each.—A. P.

In C. P.:

NAGPUR, Feb. 21.

Swami Krishnanand Sokhta, a Congress worker who was to have offered Satyagraha this evening was arrested. Mr. B. P. Shukla of Raipur was sentenced to imprisonment till the rising of the court and a fine of Rs. 100 in connection with Satyagraha.—A. P.

In The Punjab

LAHORE, Feb. 21.

At Moga Lala Jagannath, Pleader, sentenced to one year's imprisonment and fined Rs. 200. Lala Munchi Ram Jaini, sentenced to four months and fined Rs. 200 Lala Om Parkash sentenced to imprisonment till the rising of the Court and fined Rs. 50.—A. P.

In Tamil Nad

MADRAS, Feb. 21.

Mr. K. Achuthan Nair and Mr R. S. Thangavelu who offered Satyagraha in the city to-day were sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment each.

Mr. A. K. Nagalingham was awarded one month's rigorous imprisonment.—A. P.

Convictions In Mahakoshal

JUBBULPORE, Feb 21.

Following Satyagraha convictions in Mahakoshal are reported: Harnarayan Rathi arrested at Kauria near Gadarwara and sentenced to four months' rigorous.

Pandit Lokmani Jain Sastri, President of the Narsinghpur District Congress, arrested at Gotegaon before offering Satyagraha and awarded four months' rigorous. Both Rathi and Jain were placed in "C" class and sent to Nagpur Jail.

Pyarelal Darjee of Katni fined Rs. 25 to-day.—A. P.

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Four Under-trials Escape

KOLHAPUR, Feb. 21.

Four under-trial prisoners escaped last night from Karvirpeta jail by breaking through their cell wall. A search is being made for them.—A. P.

Nazi Base In Sicily Raided: Tepelini Pounded

ADVANCE CONTINUES IN EAST AFRICA: JUBA CROSSED AGAIN: MANY PRISONERS TAKEN

LONDON, February 21.

The German dive bomber base in Sicily was again raided by British aircraft last night, according to to-day's Italian High Command "communique."

On the lower Juba in Italian Somaliland, the "communique" states, fighting is continuing on both banks of the river, thus admitting that the British troops have crossed the river.

ITALIAN PLANES NOT ON SCENE

An American commentator's broadcast from Athens revealed that for some days past remarkably few Italian planes have been seen over either Albanian front or over Greece.

R. A. F. Over Albania

Seven enemy fighters were shot down yesterday when Berati and Tepelini were raided by R. A. F. bombers escorted by fighters, according to to-day's R. A. F. was very active over Albanian territory.

A particularly heavy raid was made on Berati where barracks were badly damaged and a number of fires were started. It was seen that two fires were followed by explosions.

At Tepelini, stores and troop concentrations were successfully attacked and much damage and confusion were caused.

In addition to seven aircraft destroyed in these raids, others were severely damaged without loss to the R. A. F.

In East Africa

In Italian East Africa, continued support was given to our troops on various fronts. At Massawa a number of enemy aircraft were damaged on the ground and large petrol dumps were set on fire.

Enemy aircraft raided Benghazi yesterday. There were no casualties and very slight damage was caused. One enemy aircraft was shot down by our fighters and one of our fighter

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STOP PRESS

RUSSO-JAPANESE PACT

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21

According to the Saigon radio an economic agreement in principle has been signed in Moscow between Japan and the U.S.S.R. No confirmation is received here from any other source.—Reuter.

BALKAN SENSATION

BASLE, Feb. 21

A sensation has been caused in the Balkans by the news of the visit of the Foreign Secretary Mr. Eden and the Chief of Imperial General Staff, Sir John Dill to Egypt, according to the Budapest correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten". The events following Mr. Eden's last visit to Cairo are fresh in memory, he adds.—Reuter

PAN-AMERICAN PROTEST

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.

The Brazilian proposal for a collective protest to Britain against the seizure of the French steamer "Mendoza" within the Pan-American Neutrality Zone is being supported by the United States and other American Governments. The "Mendoza" was seized off Brazil in January when attempting to run the blockade with a cargo of goods from South America.—Reuter.

EX-KING ALFONSO

ROME, Feb. 21.

The condition of ex-King Alfonso has become noticeably worse since last night, it is stated. The weakness of heart is more pronounced and breathlessness has increased. The ex-King's family is not at present leaving his bedside.—Reuter.

NAZI RAIDS

LONDON, Feb. 21

There has been only slight enemy activity, mainly over eastern England and east Scotland today, says an Air Ministry Communique. A few bombs were dropped. There was little damage and no casualties.—Reuter.

VICHY DISCUSSES FAR EAST

VICHY, Feb. 21

"The Far Eastern question" was among the subjects discussed at a meeting of the French Cabinet presided by Marshal Petain today, it is announced.—Reuter.

GERMAN NAVAL ACADEMY

Moved From Kiel To Danzig: Nazi Tribute To R. A. F.?

LONDON, Feb. 21.

The German Naval Academy has been moved from Kiel to Danzig on orders of Admiral Raeder, the Navy's Commander-in-Chief. This was announced on the German radio to-day, but whether the removal was due to the British air raids or not was not stated.—Reuter.

MAISKY SUCCEEDS LITVINOFF

Former Soviet Foreign Minister Removed From Central Committee

MOSCOW, Feb. 21.

M. Maisky, Soviet Ambassador in London, has been elected by a Conference of the Communist Party as an alternate or reserve member of the Central Committee of the Party.

M. Litvinoff, the former Foreign Minister, has been removed from membership of the Central Committee for "not having secured the fulfilment of his obligations as a member of the Committee"

Others, newcomers to the Party Central Committee, include M. Decanozoff, the New Soviet Ambassador in Berlin and M. Kuusinen, President of the Karelo-Finnish Republic.

In addition to M. Litvinoff three other members and four reserve members include three Secretaries of the Communist Parties in the new Baltic Republics of Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia.

The conference concluded its business by adopting a resolution which declared that the industrial output of the U. S. S. R. grew by 44 per cent. during three years of the third Five-Year Plan, from 95,500 million roubles in 1937 to 1,37,500 million in 1940.

Matsuoka Speaks

MADE NO OFFER TO MEDIATE

WARNING TO BRITAIN AND AMERICA

TOKYO, Feb. 21.

An elaboration of his denial that he made a proposal to mediate in the European conflict was given by the Foreign Minister Mr. Matsuoka to-day (Friday) replying to a barrage of questions posed by newspaper correspondents.

In the course of a long statement, Mr. Matsuoka also re-emphasised that in Japan's view, tension with the United States was unnecessary and the result of a "hallucination."

Firstly, Mr. Matsuoka denied that Japan had adopted any measures tending to cause concern to Britain and the United States about the Far East; Secondly, he regretted as unnecessary the British measures tending to confirm even slightly the suggestion that American aid to Britain was paramountly and immediately important and, thirdly he expressed a hope that Britain and the United States would refrain from measures liable to excite Japanese public opinion.

In connection with his reply to Mr. Eden he said that it had been most frank in order to clarify the situation. "I did not send what is commonly referred to as a message", he declared, "I did set forth my views on world peace which I had held for some time past."

NO OFFER TO MEDIATE

Later Mr. Matsuoka added, "I want to make clear that there was nothing in my reply that could be interpreted as an offer to mediate in the European conflict." The Foreign Minister added that he could not conceive of Mr. Eden placing such an interpretation upon his communication. He further declared that it was a misapprehension to suggest that he consulted Germany before sending the reply.

Confirming the truth of the reports of consultations at Washington between the British, American, the Netherlands, Australian and New Zealand representatives concerning a joint strengthening of defences Mr. Matsuoka observed, "It may be true. It is not unnatural for Britain and America to make preparations to meet any possible contingency. Anyone can guess that these measures are aimed at Japan. If that is so, I should like to state that it is unnecessary inasmuch as Japan has not taken any steps whatever tending to cause concern to Britain and America on the South Seas."

WARNING REPEATED

He repeated the warning made in the Diet some weeks ago against mutual preparations for the worst eventuality when they were based on a "hallucination" and hoped that both Britain and America would show "a particular restraint concerning this point in the Pacific and the South Seas."

TROOPS FOR INDO-CHINA

While admitting that the dispatch of Japanese troops to French Indo-China last year might have been a cause of irritation to Britain and America, Mr. Matsuoka pointed out that the movement was carried out on the basis of an amicable understanding with the French Indo-China authorities as part of the military operations against the Chungking Government.—Reuter.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

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SUIT No. 2108 of 1936.

(1.) THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION of the City of Bombay a Corporation constituted by the City of Bombay Municipal Act III of 1888 having its office situate at Hornby Road within the Fort of Bombay and (2.) IVON HOPE TAUNTON, Esq., I.C.S., Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay. ..... Plaintiffs

vs.

WAMAN BHAGSHET VAIKUL of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant at present residing at Karak Taluka Rajapur in Ratnagiri District, outside the Fort of Bombay: Defendant.

WHEREAS by a decree made in the above suit on the 13th day of January, 1937, it was 'inter alia' ordered that the Defendant do forthwith vacate and deliver up to the Plaintiffs, vacant and peaceful possession of the premises in his occupation and situate at Bholvada Road without the Fort in Bombay and more particularly described in the Schedule hereto. It was further ordered that the Defendant do pay to the Plaintiffs the sum of Rs. 1,477-8-0 and do also pay to the Plaintiffs further compensation at the rate of Rs. 26 per month and further rates and taxes accruing due in respect of the abovementioned premises at the rate of Rs. 12-5-0 per month from 1st day of November, 1936 till vacant possession of the premises is delivered up to the Plaintiffs as aforesaid. And it was lastly ordered that the Defendant do pay to the Plaintiffs the sum of Rs. 250 for costs of this suit and simple interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum upon the amount of the said judgment from the 13th day of January 1937, until payment.

AND WHEREAS by a Warrant of Sale, dated the 9th day of May, 1940, the Sheriff of Bombay was directed to sell by public auction all the right, title and interest of the Defendant in the Structure belonging to the Defendant and standing on all that piece of land belonging to the Plaintiffs in the lands and premises in the said Warrant mentioned, that is to say:—

The structure belonging to the Defendant and standing on all that piece or parcel of land belonging to the plaintiffs, situate lying and being at Bholvada Road, without the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 206 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 2 2119 (part) Cadastral Survey No. 160 of Naigaum Division and assessed in the Books of Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under F Ward No. 1415 Street No. 145 and bounded, on the North by passage belonging to the Municipality on the East by Municipal property, on the South by the vacant Municipal land and on the West by Bholvada Road.

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Intimation is given that the Court does not warrant the correctness of the above description of the premises nor the title of the said Defendant to the same or to any interest therein.

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The abovementioned Plaintiffs have obtained permission to bid at the sale.

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(In Voluntary Liquidation).

LOST OR MISLAID

SHARE CERTIFICATES in respect of Fifty Shares, Nos. 521494/521543 of The Tata Industrial Bank, Limited, (In Voluntary Liquidation) in the name of Mr. Abdulla Dawoodbhoy Deceased, have been LOST or MISLAID. Any claim in respect of these Shares should be notified to the General Manager, The Central Bank of India, Ltd., at Central Bank Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within one month from date; otherwise the sale proceeds of these shares will be paid to the Administrator to the Estate of the above deceased.

Bombay, 20th February, 1941.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN.
Attorneys-at-Law.

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Public Notices

BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

Wanted (i) *Deputy Director of Veterinary Services, Bombay Province. Pay.*—Rs. 150 p.m. for a direct recruit during probation for two years and thereafter Rs. 170-10-250-e.b.-15-400-e.b.-20-500 (subject to revision). *Age.*—Not less than 21 and not more than 30 years on 1st April 1941 in the case of direct recruits. *Qualifications.*—Candidates should be Veterinary Surgeons, preferably M.R.C.V.S. (Eng.), or possess a university degree in Veterinary Science. Those possessing equivalent qualifications or an Indian qualification with special experience, also eligible.

(ii) Lecturer in Education, Secondary Training College, Bombay Pay.—Rs. 170 p.m. during probation for two years and starting on Rs. 170 in the 3rd year in the scale of Rs. 170-10-250-e b.-15-400-e.b.-20-500 for men and Rs. 170-8-250-e.b.-266-12-350 for women. *Age.*—Not less than 23 and not more than 30 years on 20th June 1941 but this limit may be relaxed in the case of a candidate possessing exceptional qualifications and will not apply in the case of Government servants. *Qualifications.*—Candidates should be British Indian subjects, preferably natives of the Bombay Province and should be graduates of a recognised Indian, British or foreign university with a degree in, or diploma of, education and experience of teaching. Masters of Method in Geography preferred.

Full details should be obtained from the Secretary to the Commission, P.W.D. Secretariat, Bombay. Last date for receipt of applications in printed prescribed form (a copy of which will be supplied on receipt of an addressed envelope with two and a quarter anna postage stamps and one rupee *only* in cash or by a *crossed Indian Postal Order* in favour of the "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission") *22nd March 1941.*

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED to fill the post of Deputy Director of Sericulture, Bengal. Pay Rs. 300-900. Age between 35 and 45. Full details may be obtained from the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, Anderson House, Alipore, personally or ON SENDING AN ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH A NINE PIES STAMP. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form, together with treasury receipt for Rs. 5/- 12th March, 1941

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ROYAL INDIAN NAVY

ARTIFICER APPRENTICES

SPLENDID OPPORTUNITIES exist for educated youths, who desire to join the Royal Indian Navy as apprentices in the Engineering Branches. During 1941 apprentices will be recruited in May and October.

The apprenticeship is of 4½ years' duration and comprises scholastic, technical and practical workshop training. On completing their apprenticeship, apprentices are promoted to Artificers and serve at sea in ships of the Royal Indian Navy.

Apprentices and Artificers are paid at the following rates with free food, clothing and accommodation:—

	Per mensem.
Apprentices	Rs. 20-40
Artificers	Rs. 50-130
Artificers promoted to Warrant Officers (limited vacancies)	Rs. 130-270

Candidates for recruitment in May must be British subjects, have matriculated or passed an equivalent examination with Science and Mathematics and attained the age of 17, but not more than 20, on the 15th May, 1941.

A pamphlet containing full particulars and the Official application forms may be obtained up to 31st March, 1941, from the:—

OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,
Mechanical Training Establishment,
R. I. N. Depot, BOMBAY.

NOTE *(i) Applications for pamphlets will not be considered unless copies of educational attainments and the date of birth of the intending candidates are attached to the applications.*

NOTE *(ii) Envelopes containing applications, etc., must be clearly marked "APPRENTICE".*

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Public Notices

GHATKOPAR KIROL MUNICIPALITY

Four And A Half Per Cent DEBENTURE LOAN of Rs. 50,000

for the works in the Town Planning Scheme No. 2, GHATKOPAR.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the Loan of Rs. 50,000 to be raised by the Ghatkopar Kirol Municipality, in the Open Market, as Sanctioned by the Government of Bombay for the construction of works in Town Planning Scheme No. 2, at Ghatkopar. The Loan is to be raised on the security of the rates taxes and revenues of the Ghatkopar Kirol Municipality which has a liability of Rs. 30,000 of a previous Loan for which a Sinking Fund has been created, and also on the Security of the contributions receivable from the Plot-holders of the Town Planning Scheme No. 2, Ghatkopar.

2. The interest on the Debentures of the Loan is payable on the 1st October every year at 4-1/2 per cent. per annum

3. Five per cent. of the amount of the Loan applied for shall be payable at the Municipal Office at Ghatkopar with the application.

4. The balance of the amount of Loan allotted shall be payable at the Municipal Office at Ghatkopar within one month of the date of notice of the allotment.

5. Interest will be paid from the date of full payment of the allotted Loan, and shall cease from the day the Loan is notified for repayment either wholly or in part.

6. The Loan will be repaid at par in ten years' time after the date of issue with option to the Ghatkopar Kirol Municipality to pay the same wholly or in part earlier after five years on giving six months' advance notice in that behalf.

7. Tenders for the whole or any portion of the Loan will be received upto 4-0 P.M. on 8th March 1941 by the Secretary, Ghatkopar Kirol Municipality, at the Municipal Office at Ghatkopar, during Office hours on working days. Forms of Tender and notification can be had from the Municipal Office at Ghatkopar on application free of charge.

8. Tenders must be in sums of Rs. 100/- or multiples of Rs. 100/-. Each tender must be sealed and superscribed "THE TENDER FOR THE 4-1/2 PER CENT. DEBENTURE LOAN OF Rs. 50,000". The rate at which the tender is made should be clearly written in Rupees and Annas both in words and figures. Tenders below par will not be accepted.

9. In case of the Loan being oversubscribed the Municipality reserves to itself the right of deciding how the amount allotted at the lowest rate is to be distributed.

10. The Municipality does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

(Sd.) JETHALAL P PAREKH,
President,
Ghatkopar Kirol Municipality.
Municipal Office.
Ghatkopar.
20th February 19[illegible]

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Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HAJI EBRAHIM HAJI MAHOMED of Bombay Mahomedan Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office No. 35, Dalal Street, Examiner Press Building, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of leasehold land or ground with the messuage tenements and dwelling house standing thereon or to be erected thereon situate, lying and being at Naigaum Estate, being Plot No.:—150 and under 15 (f) Ward No. 728 (5) and Street No. 88D, containing by admeasurement 501 square yards or thereabouts and known as Ebrahim Court containing 36 rooms.

Dated this 19th day of February 1941.

HARIDAS & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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Public Notices

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from HONOURS GRADUATES for employment as Clerks in the Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Poona. Preference will be given to holders of 1st class degrees. Applicants should state the subjects taken for the degree course and should send in applications not later than 10th March, 1941. Forms of applications will be supplied on request.

(4402)

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SUPPLY

CONTRACTS DIRECTORATE
New Delhi, the 17th February, 1941.

The Chief Controller of Purchase (Supply), (Contracts Directorate), invites tenders for the following stores:—

Rice Ration (Indian Grown)—3,500 tons approximately.

The price of the tender forms is Rs. 10|- per set and is not refundable and the forms are not transferable.

Applications for tenders accompanied by the above fee will be received upto and inclusive of 28-2-1941 after which date no tender forms will be issued. Payment should be made in cash or by money order only to the Directorate General of Supply (Contracts Directorate), New Delhi. The Money Order Coupon must state:—

(a) Tender No. SY|10363-C|2M
(b) Name of Applicant,
(c) Full address of applicant.

(Money Orders received without the above information are liable to be refused).

Tenders will be received upto 4 p.m. on 17-3-1941 but tender samples must reach the Officer-in-Charge, Military Food Laboratory, Kasauli by 10-3-1941.

Applicants not already on the Directorate General of Supply, (Contracts Directorate) list of approved contractors must state in their applications for tender forms the name of their Bankers.

NOTE:—Tender forms are also available for sale at Branch Offices of the Contracts Directorate at Calcutta, Bombay and Cawnpore, as well as in the offices of Controllers of Supplies at Bombay, Madras, Lahore, Cawnpore and Karachi, and may be obtained by the tenderers from these offices on payment of the prescribed tender fee direct to the officers concerned.

(4401)

THE BOMBAY DYEING & MFG. COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Neville House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 14th March, 1941, at 10-30 a.m. (St. Time), for the transaction of the following business:—

1. To adopt the Directors' Report, the Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.
2. To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
3. To confirm the election of Sir Cusrow Wadia, Kt., C.I.E., as a Director, who is eligible and offers himself for re-election under Article 77 of the Articles of Association.
4. To appoint a Director in place of Sir Ness Wadia, K.B.E., C.I.E., who retires from office, but is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
5. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Maneklal Premchand, who retires from office, but is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
6. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.
7. To transact such other business as may be brought forward by the Directors.

By order of the Board,
NOWROSJEE WADIA & SONS,
Agents,
The Bombay Dyeing & Mfg. Co., Ltd.

NOTICE is also given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 4th March to 14th March. 1941, both days inclusive.

The Dividend, when sanctioned, will be made payable at the National Bank of India, Ltd., Bombay, on or after Monday, the 7th April, 1941, to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register on the 14th March, 1941, to whom Dividend Warrants will be posted.

The shareholders are requested to at once notify any change of address.

Bombay, 20th February, 1941.

(4400)

Public Notices

GOVERNMENT MEDICAL STORE DEPOT.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED before 5-3-1941 for the post of an Electrician in this Depot on Rs. 60-4|2-80-5|2-85. Only qualified Electricians need apply. One holding a Boiler Certificate will be preferred. The post is non-pensionable.

W. M. WILL.
Lieut.-Col. I.M.S.,
Dy A.D.G. (Medical Stores),
Govt. Medical Store Depot,
BOMBAY.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. and Mrs. ISMAIL MAHOMED JAFFER have contracted to sell to our clients the undermentioned property. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said property by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise howsoever, is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim, and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being at the junction of Lady Jamshedji Road and 50 feet Cross Road in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1046.43 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 84 (part) Cadastral Survey No. 1679 of Mahim Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under C Ward No. 5881 and Street No. 357 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by property bearing Cadastral Survey No. 1545 on or towards the West by 100 feet Lady Jamshedji Road, on or towards the North by 50 feet Cross Road and on or towards the South by Plot No. 7 bearing Cadastral Survey No. 1706.

Dated this 20th day of February, 1941.

AKBAR H. MERCHANT,
For Messrs. Mathubhai Jamietram and Madan,
Purchasers' Attorneys.

(4399)

IN THE COURT OF SMALL CAUSES, AT BOMBAY.

Suit No. 2141 of 1941.

B. D. MISTRY .. Plaintiff.

versus

(1) KHURSHED F. NARIMAN, President, (2) BALVANTSINGH DODHY, Vice-President, (3) JEHANGIR HORMASJI, Secretary, member of the Managing Committee and all other members of the Bombay Motor Lorry Owners' Association .. .. Defendants.

PURSUANT to the provisions of O.1, R.8 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, notice is hereby given that the plaintiff abovenamed has instituted the above suit in this Court on the 7th February, 1941, against the defendants abovenamed for themselves and all other members of the Bombay Motor Lorry Owners' Association praying:—

(a) For a sum of Rs. 300|- being the honorarium or salary due by The Bombay Motor Lorry Owners' Association to plaintiff for working as legal adviser for one year from June, 1939, to June, 1940.

(b) For costs of the above suit.

And the hearing of the above suit has been fixed for TUESDAY, the 1st day of April, 1941.

Dated this 18th day of February, 1941.

EDWIN T. BAPTISTA,
Registrar.

Mr. H. B. LASKARI,
Advocate for the plaintiff.

(4396)

Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

SUIT NO. 470 of 1939.

LAKHMIDAS CHANDA RAMJI ..... Plaintiff.
(Vs.)
JAMNABAI, widow of Bhawanji Cursondas and others ..... Defendants.

PURSUANT to Decree Absolute for Sale, dated 17th April, 1940, and Chamber Judge's Order, dated 2nd August, 1940 and Judge's Order, dated 10th January, 1941, the following immoveable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at the premises on THURSDAY, 6th March, 1941, at 5-30 P.M. (S.T.)

PARTICULARS

ALL that piece of Salt Batty land at Mouje Danda and Taluka Salsette, in the Bombay Suburban District, being a portion of Original Survey No. 298 and part of Plot No. 1 of Survey No. 352, admeasuring 2084 square yards or thereabouts with the bunglow and out houses built on part thereof and registered in the Books of the Special Officer-in-Charge building sites in the District of Thana under Building Plot or Non-Agricultural Survey No. 210 and bearing Entry No. 3255 of Danda or Santa Cruz and by the Municipality of Bandra under Notified Area Santa Cruz Circle House No. 7 and which forms a portion of Final Plot No. 23 under the Santa Cruz No. II Town Planning Scheme.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. NANU HORMASJI & CO., Attorneys for the Plaintiff abovenamed at Fort Chambers, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1941.

(Sd.) ARMAND F. SEQUERIA.
Commissioner.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION

E228, 14-2-41.
No. 255, 18-2-41.

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of LADHIBAI, widow of Desai Velji Dayal and daughter of Makanji Shamji of Kathiawad Kutiana and Bombay Modh Bania Hindu Inhabitant, doing household work and residing at Mulraj Pragji Dayal's House, Old Modikhana within the Fort of Bombay .. Deceased.

(1) DESAI PRANLAL DEOKARAN, of Bombay Modh Bania Hindu Inhabitant, a merchant, residing at 247, Walkeshwar Road, without the Fort of Bombay, (2) THAKAR JAMNADAS RAMDAS, of Bombay Bhatia Hindu Inhabitant, a merchant, residing at Walkeshwar Road, without the Fort of Bombay, and (3) VARJIWANDAS KHUSHAL GANDHI, of Bombay Modha Bania Hindu Inhabitant, a merchant, residing at Meherabad Building, New Marine Drive Road, without the Fort of Bombay all of them being the executors named in the last Will and Testament of the said deceased. .. Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 12th day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty one and in the fifth year of our Reign.

(Seal of the High Court at Bombay)

(Sd. S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Prothonotary and Senior Master.
(Sd.) K. K. DASTUR.

The 12th day of February, 1941.
Messrs. AMARCHAND & MANGALDAS,
Petitioners' Attorneys.

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Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

SUIT NO. 1896 OF 1936

NURUDDIN ESMAILJI KURWA, .. Plaintiff.
Vs.
MAHOMED UMAR SIRDAR HAJI BADLOO SUBRATI & Ors. .. Defendants.

PURSUANT to Decree Absolute for Sale, dated 15th February, 1940, and Judge's Order, dated 2nd December, 1940, the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on THURSDAY, 6th March, 1941, at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.)

PARTICULARS

All that leasehold Foras Land with the dwelling-house thereon at Sankli Street, Bombay, admeasuring 579.50 Square Yards or thereabouts bearing Collector's Old Nos. 29, 95, 96, New Nos. 13531, 13602, Old Survey Nos. 283, 284, 294, and New Survey Nos. 1, 2, 3|3549, 1B|3587 3F and 4C|3550 and part of 3589 or some of them of Municipal E Ward No. 3912(2) and Street No. 99(A), Cadastral Survey No. 1763(part) and now bearing Cadastral Survey No. 5|1763 of Byculla Division.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the office of Messrs. MAZAGONWALLA & CO., Attorneys for the Plaintiff abovenamed at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 1941.

(Sd.) ARMOND F. SEQUIERA,
Commissioner

(4398)

Auction Sales

SALE of two valuable immovable properties at Old Bengalpura Street under instructions from Messrs. Mulla & Mulla, Attorneys for the Mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the Mortgagor Haji Oosmanbhai Yoosufbhai.

LOT NO. I.—Sale on Thursday the 27th February, 1941, at 4-30 p.m. at the premises:—

Piece of land of Quit and Ground rent tenure with the dwelling house situate at Old Bengalpura Street, Bombay, admeasuring about 89 4|9 Sq. Yds. bearing Cadastral Survey No. 176 of Mandvi Division and Municipal B Ward No. 1536 and Street No. 27.

LOT NO. II.—Sale on the same day as above immediately after Lot No. I at the premises of Lot No. II:—

Piece of land of Quit and Ground rent tenure (since redeemed) with the dwelling house situate at East side of Old Bengalpura Street, Bombay, admeasuring about 241 Sq. Yds. (according to Cadastral Survey 250 Sq. Yds.) bearing Cadastral Survey No. 183 of Mandvi Division and Municipal B Ward No. 1529 and Street No. 47 to 51.

Further particulars and conditions of sale From Messrs. Mulla & Mulla, Solicitors, Jehangir Wadia Building, 51, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, or from the undersigned.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.
123, Medows Street, Bombay.

GANDHI & CO.,
Government Auctioneers.

GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO INVEST IN A VERY SUBSTANTIAL IMMOVABLE PROPERTY IN GOOD LOCALITY OF FORT:

Auction Sale of Valuable Immovable Property, Situate at the Junction of Medows Street and Oak Lane.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., will under instructions from Messrs. Mehta Laljee & Co., Attorneys for the Vendor, sell by Public Auction the undermentioned Valuable Immovable Property on WEDNESDAY, the 19th March, 1941, at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.) on the premises.

All that piece of land of the Quit and Ground-rent tenure the cess whereon is now redeemed together with the messuage standing thereon situate at the Junction of Medows Street and Oak Lane admeasuring 155 Square Yards or thereabouts and registered under New No. 4926 Cadastral Survey No. 86 of Fort Division and bounded on the East by the Medows Street, on the West by a passage beyond that by the property of Bibi Khadija Sultan, on the South by the Oak Lane and on the North by the Property of Dada Dewraj and which said premises are assessed under "A" Ward No. 1130 Street No. 82 Medows Street and 2-4 Oak Lane.

For further Particulars please apply to Attorneys for the Vendor, or to the Undersigned.

GANDHI & CO.

Firmness Of Spot Cotton At New York

IMPORT BUYING AT STANDSTILL

Important Discussions Between Government And Liverpool Cotton Association

Bombay: Feb. 21.

On Thursday the New York cotton market was firm with active demand for spot cotton. Both New York and New Orleans spot prices now stand at 10.39c and 10.37c respectively.

The New York cotton market's advance on the sharp improvement of the Wall-Street market met selling presumably against Loan repossessions.

Chicago Grains were firm on persistent buying by milling interests and covering by shorts.

The New York cotton market opened steady. There was trade covering in March prior to the first notice day on February 25. There was also price-fixing and local buying which met renewed spot house selling and profit-taking by earlier buyers.

At the opening March was quoted 3 pts up at 10.32 which was the lowest level for the day.

At the opening there was active buying and March advanced to 10.39 in one hour on active buying and this proved to be the highest for the day.

Thereafter the market was fairly steady with a moderate business and finally closed at a net rise of 4 to 8 pts.

Spot cotton prices improved 13 pts at 10.93c per lb. Day's receipts at Ports were 4,000 bales and exports were nil.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also very steady with persistent buying and finally closed at a rise of 2 to 7 pts. Spot cotton prices advanced 5 pts at 10.37c per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a rise of 3 pts with March 8.25. Bombay selling helped to meet moderate demand. There was increased trade calling and the session closed at a net gain of 4 pts. Middling American spot cotton prices advanced one point at 8.52d per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton futures' ring was fairly steady with scattered buying. Both Upper and Giza futures closed one point higher.

FUTURE OR LIVERPOOL MARKET

"Government and the Cotton Associations are discussing the possibility of useful continuance of the Liverpool Futures Market despite Government's decision to become the sole importer. If Government imports and distributes at a fixed rate, the futures market obviously is redundant, but the official prices are allowed to fluctuate in accordance with wheat remains of the world market, hedging will still be necessary. Futures brokers are inclined to expect some favourable modification of the Government's scheme, and in the meanwhile private import buying is at a complete standstill."

LOCAL MARKET

Messrs. M. and B. Stern state:—

In the Ready Market the demand for Berar styles was maintained but staple varieties were in rather less demand following increased arrivals in Gujerat and a further slight easing in basis. Local receipts on 19th inst. were 22,233 bales.

Forward Market opened quiet in sympathy with an easier trend in textile shares. Hedging by Commission Houses and Exporters caused a decline to Rs. 181/12, but later prices recovered on speculative short covering by the Bazaar and straddle reversing with Mahajan. The market remains highly sensitive to political developments and is also feeling the weight of increasing crop movement in Gujerat and Kathiawar.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest 10.39+10 (11-8 a.m.); lowest 10.32+03 (10 a.m.)

Liverpool March highest 8.28+05; lowest 8.24+01.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

Liverpool.—Market steady. Good trade demand. Small offerings.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: Feb. 20.

March	10.37+08
May	10.34+06
July	10.21+06
October	9.72+04
December	9.70+04
January	9.68+04
Middling Spot	10.93+13

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New Orleans: Feb. 20.

March	10.42+06
May	10.37+05
July	10.25+07
October	9.75+02
December	9.73+02
January	9.70+03
Spot	10.37+05

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: Feb. 20.

	11 a.m. Ranges.	Noon Call
March	10.38	10.36
May	10.34	10.32

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York: Feb. 20.

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	4,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	Nil.
Day's exports to the Continent	Nil.
Day's exports to China and Japan	Nil.

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool: Feb. 20.

March	8.28+05
May	8.29+05
July	8.30+05
October	8.24+05
December	8.21+05
Middling Spot	8.52+01

11 a.m. QUOTATIONS

March	8.25

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay: Feb. 21.

Following a rise of 8 pts in New York cotton futures, the local market opened today at Rs. 183/8 for Broach A/M delivery and declined to Rs. 183/4 on scattered selling. At the decline there was moderate buying and prices improved to Rs. 184/8.

At the rise there was increased selling and prices declined to Rs. 183. Shorts came in to cover and prices hardened to Rs. 184/8. Liverpool opened one point up and in the local market Broach A/M stood at Rs. 185. The market finally closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

F G M G	Broach	April/May ..... Rs. 183/8
F G M G	Broach	July/August ..... Rs. 186/8
Fine M G	Oomra	March ..... Rs. 144/0
Fine M G	Oomra	May ..... Rs. 146/4
Fine M G	Oomra	July ..... Rs. 148/8
F G M G	Bengal	March ..... Rs. 118/8
F G M G	Bengal	May ..... Rs. 119/8

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay: Feb. 21.

Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8/8/0. Dollar Sterling cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.02 3/4 at New York. London spot Silver was unchanged at 23 3/8d but forward quotation was lowered 1/16d at 23 5/16d. The market was very quiet and buyers were satisfied. New York spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 3 3/8. London Bombay spot Silver parity was Rs. 62/5/9 and forward parity was Rs. 62/3/6. The local market was fairly steady with scattered buying and quotations were as under:—

	GOLD	SILVER
Ready	Rs. 42 7 9	63 2 0
Pagan	Rs. 42 8 6	62 15 0

Sovereigns: Rs. 28/10.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay: Feb. 21.

LONDON:—

B C. RATES:—

T T D D 1/5 15/16 to 20th August
Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 11/32 to 20th Aug.
Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 20th August
Bank's buying D D 1/6 3/32 One month
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 7/32 One month
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 1/4 two months

NEW YORK:—

Bank's selling T T 332 3/4
Bank's buying T T 329 3/4
Bank's buying D D 328

JAPAN:—

Bank's selling T T 81 1/4 nominal.
Bank's buying T T 77 nominal
Bank's buying 60 days 76 1/4 nominal

JAVA:—

Bank's selling D D 85 3/4

HONGKONG:—

Bank's selling D D 85 1/4

SHANGHAI—

Bank's selling D D 21 3/4

SINGAPORE:—

Bank's selling D D 157. 3/4

CROSS RATES:—

Hongkong/London 1/3 1/32 21st inst.
Shanghai/London 0/3 21/32 21st inst.
New York/London 4.02 3/4 20th inst.
London/Java 7.58/62 20th inst.
London/New York 4.02 1/2-3 1/2 20th inst
London/Switzerland 17.30/40 20th inst.
London/Stockholm 16.85/95 20th inst.
London/Japan 1/2 1/2 20th inst.
London/Canada 4.43/47 20th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady.
Gold £8/8/0 20th inst.
Silver London Ready 23 3/8 20th inst.
Silver London Forward 23 3/8 20th inst.
Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 19th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent 20th inst
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent 20th inst
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call unendable.
4 months 1/2 per cent.
6 months 3/4 per cent.
Tone: Very easy.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay: Feb. 21.

The market opened steady but declined on further trading due to some scattered selling. Tata Deferreds opened a trifle better at 1895 and eased off to 1882/8, but later ruled better at 1885. Tata Ordinaries opened at 373/8 and declined to 372/8. Bombay Dyeings presented an easier trend being quoted lower at 1045. Associated Cements improved further to 140. Indian Irons kept in demand upto 31/4.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange to-day:

Tata Deferreds (1890) 1895 82/8 85
Tata Ordinaries (373) 373/8 72/8 73 72/8
Bombay Dyeings (1060) 1055 42/8 4b
Tata Ordinary 372/8, Tata Deferred 1885, Indian Iron 31/2, Bombay Dyeing 1045, Century 361/4, Central India 292/8, Kohinoor 410/10, Associated Cement 140, Bombay Burma 507/8, Scindia Steam 21/2, Tata Hydro 180, Reserve Bank 105, Imperial Bank F P 1560, Central Bank 43/4, Bank of India 146, 3 1/2 per cent Paper 94/14.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Feb. 21.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 96-14
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 94-14
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 100-12
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds 99
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 94-0
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 102-6
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 108
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 104-8
3 per cent War Bonds 100-10
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 113-8

TAX FREE LOANS.

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 112-2
4 per cent 1953/65 Mysore 115-8
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 12b

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1974 107-12
4 per cent M Deb 1944 107-8
5 per cent M Deb 1959 116
6 per cent M Deb 1954 128
6 per cent K P T 1956 128

Tone: Quietly steady.

LONDON SILVER

London: Feb. 20.

Spot	23 3/8
Forward	23 5/16

LONDON GOLD

London: Feb. 20.

Gold bars fine per Oz.	£8/8/0

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: Feb. 20.

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£ 70 1/2
Indian Stocks—	£
3 per cent 1948	85 3/4
3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	98 3/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	77 1/2
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	104 1/2
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent	103 1/2
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	113 3/8
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	110 7/8
Chartered Bank of I.A. and China	7 3/4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Register)	74
National Bank of India	32 1/4

LONDON EXCHANGES

London: Feb. 20.

T T London on New York 4.02 1/2-4.03 1/2, Madrid 40.50, Montreal 4.43/4.47, Berne 17.30-17.40, Stockholm 16.85/16.95.

LONDON SEEDS

London: Feb. 20.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe 20/6 Feb/March quoted.
Wheat Barletta Russo unquoted.
Wheat South Australian 26/6 Feb/March quoted.

Cement Merger Looks Up

PERSISTENT BUYING IN TATA POWERS

Steels And Mills Barely Steady

Bombay: Feb. 21.

The local Share Bazar opened steady but in the absence of any important buying prices gradually sagged on scattered liquidation. Trading was restricted and fluctuations were narrow. The market is inclined to await Budget proposals and pending the clarification of the situation, we do not look for any important change. The market believes that there will not be any special duty on Cement production. This relief is encouraging moderate demand for Associated Cement shares, while Tata Powers were again very steady. It is reported that these shares are going in the hands of strong investors.

Despite the reassertion of Balkan and Far Eastern restraints Wall-Street prices held steady around the best with the market's technical readiness to respond to any improved situation. The rally is attributed to Washington reports that some members of the House Ways and Means Committee are contemplating a formula for easing the Excess Profit Tax burden on the growth of corporations. U. S. Steel shares closed dollars 2 up at 57 3/8 and Anaconda Copper Mining shares gained 1 5/8 at 23 3/4 dols.

In the local market Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 1960 and declined to Rs. 1945, while Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 391 and quietened down at Rs. 380. Bombay Dyeing shares opened steady at Rs. 1093 but sagged to Rs. 1085. Associated Cement shares were firm at Rs. 143/8 and Tata Powers were in demand at Rs. 1545.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

BOMBAY, Feb. 21.

Bombay Dyeing (1088) 1093 1083 1090 1086 1085
Century (377/8) 379, 374, 379
Central India (305) 306/8 306
Kohinoor (418/8) 419/8 417 418
New Great (431) 431 435 430
Simplex (107) 108
Swadeshi (277) 277 276 277/8
Associated Cement (141/12) 142/8 141/12 142/12 143/12 143/8
Andhra (1845) 1825 cash.
Tramway Ordinary (135) 133/8 cash.
Tata Hydro (187) 187 184
Tata Power (1632/8) 1645 1647 1645 1650 1640 1645 1642
Tata Steel Defd. (1947/8) 1960 1945 1951 1948/12
Tata Steel Ordinary (1947/8) 381 380
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (149) 148/8
Bellapur (210) 210 211 210
Bombay Steam (320) 320
Bombay Burma (531/4) 531

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, Feb. 21.

100	Ahm. Advance	275	0
250	BOMBAY DYEING	1086	4
100	CENTURY	379	0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	305	8
100	COLABA	174	8
100	Coorla	105	0
250	David	30	0
250	Dawn	342	8
1	E. D. Sassoon Def.	0	8 9
100	FINLAY	181	0
100	GOKAK	210	8
1000	Hindustan	1925	0
100	Indore	56	0
100	Khatau	149	6
100	KOHINOOR	418	8
250	LAXMI	538	2
100	MORARJI	225	0
250	Model	78	8
50	MYSURE X.D.	1	0 0
200	NEW GREAT	430	0
100	Oosmanshahi	51	8
100	Phoenix	266	0
25	Sassoon Silk	85	8
1000	Sholapur	2790	0
50	SIMPLEX	108	0
100	SWADESHI	277	8
100	SWAN	174	0
500	Vishnu	1277	8
1000	Western	1080	0

BANKS

50-100	BARODA	109	0
25-50	CENTRAL	43	8
500	IMPERIAL	1561	4
125-500	Imp. Contrys.	385	10
50-100	India	145	4
100	RESERVE BANK	105	0
5	UNION	6	10 0

CEMENTS

100	ASSOCIATED	143	8

INSURANCE

100	Empire	633	12
15-100	JUPITER	13	8
20	Mercantile	64	12
15-75	NEW INDIA	41	2
200	Oriental	3950	0
10-50	Vulcan	8	3

ELECTRIC

100	AHMD. OLD X.D.	176	4
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1845	0
10	AJMER	12	2 6
50	BOMBAY TRAM	136	0
100	Bombay Suburban	185	0
10	Broach	14	0
100	Karachi	213	12
100	Poona	215	0
100	Surat	180	0
100	TATA HYDRO	184	0
1000	TATA POWER	1642	8

RAILWAYS

500	Ahmedabad Prantij	915	0
100	C. Province	104	8
100	Dhond Baramati	104	4
100	Gujarat X.D.	103	0
100	Mandra Bhon	103	8
100	Pachora Jamner	63	8
100	Sara Sirajgunj	105	0
500	Tapti Valley	656	4

MININGS

9	Burma Corporation	5	2
8sh.	Indian Copper	2	0 6
10	Indian Iron and Steel	31	2
10	SHIVRAJPUR	38	4
30	TATA STEEL DEF	1948	12
75	TATA STEEL ORD	380	0
10	Steel Corporation	19	2

MISCELLANEOUS

100	ALCOCK	567	8
10	Air Service	3	4
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	210	8
200	Bombay Safe Dep.	N 590	0
250	BOMBAY STEAM	320	0
125	B. BURMA	531	4
50	B. Burma Cont.	184	6
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	3	5 6
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE	88	6
100	IND. BLEACHING	128	0
50	Ind. Invest Trust	46	12
100	Ind. Radio Def.	513	12
100	Indian Radio Ord	507	8
100	Port Canning	89	0
30	PREMIER Con	96	0
15	SCINDIA	21	2
25	Tata Oil	42	0
100	Wimco	200	8

PREFERENCE

7	p.c. Andhra Valley	1525	0
6	p.c. Bombay Steam	302	12
7	p.c. Bom. Tram (T.F.) X.D	76	4
5	p.c. Central India (T. F.)	632	8
6	1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 1st	118	8
6	1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 2nd	110	8
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	153	8
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Power	1575	0
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	213	12
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	148	8
7	p.c. Vishnu	741	4

DEBENTURES

3	3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	101	4
6	p.c Andhra Valley	101	4
4	p.c. Bom. Telephone	51	8
5	p.c. Sholapur	76	4
5	p.c. Tata Hydro	100	4

NEW YORK COTTON SEVEN POINTS DOWN

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MARCH 1941.
New York, Feb 21

Previous closing	10.37
To-day's opening	10.38
Difference	+01
To-day's closing	10.30
Difference	—07

BROACH EXPECTATION

April/May	Rs. 182-8
July/August	Rs. 185-8

LIVERPOOL COTTON
MARCH 1941.
Liverpool, Feb 21

Previous closing	8.28
To-day's opening	8.29
Difference	+01
To-day's closing	8.27
Difference	—01

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Feb 21

The New York cotton was moderately active on steadier overseas cables but lack of encouraging developments restrained operations.

Trading in March began at 10.38 i.e. one point higher than the last close. Prices steadied on scattered trade price-fixing, otherwise the general demand continued hesitant.

The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton :—
March (10.32/32) 10.38/38
May (10.29/29) 10.35/35
July (10.15/15) 10.24/24

The following are opening rates on Liverpool cotton market :—
American March (8.25) 8.29
American May (8.26) 8.30
Egyptian Giza March (11.06) 11.08
Egyptian Giza May (11.05) 11.07

LONDON COMMODITIES
London, Feb 21

Castorseeds January February unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta February March (£18 9/16 quoted) £18 9/16
Linseed La Plata March (£11 5/16 quoted) £11 5/16 quoted
Groundnuts Coromandal February March (£17 1/4 quoted) £17 1/4

JUTES
Dundee (£43) £43
Lightning (£40) £40

RUBBER
Spot (13 1/16d paid) 13d paid and value
Forward January March (13 1/8d paid and sellers) 13 1/16d paid and sellers

LONDON METALS
Tin (£279 buyers; £279 1/2 sellers. Very firm).
Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES
T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, Feb 21

Previous closing	4.02 3/4
To-day's opening	4.02 3/4

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, Feb 21

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS
London, Feb 21
T. T. London on Paris not quoted.

LONDON SILVER CABLE
London, Feb 21
London :—
Market quiet and steady.

LONDON SILVER
London, Feb 21
Spot (23 3/8d) 23 3/8d
Forward (23 5/16d) 23 5/16d nil

LONDON GOLD
London, Feb 21
London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

Holiday In New York

On Saturday, it being Washington Day, New York markets will remain closed.
Liverpool Cotton and London Stock Exchange will remain closed on Saturday as usual.

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, Feb 21
London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50 which is officially fixed rate.

CROSS RATES
London on Bombay (1-6) 1-6
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.35) 30.35
London on Shanghai (0-3 11/32 to 0-3 21/32) 0-3 11/32 to 0-3 21/32
London on Kobe (1-3 to 1-3 1/2) 1-3 to 1-3 1/3

DISCOUNTS
3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent

BULLION AND SEEDS
Bombay : Feb. 21.
There was no trading during the night session.

3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN
London, Feb 21
3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, Feb 21
London Stock Exchange was quiet and irregular.

AUSTRALIAN LOANS
London, Feb 21
5 per cent 1958/68 (£103 7/8) £103 7/8

BRITISH FUNDS
2 1/2 per cent Consols (£77 1/2) £77 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£104 1/2) £104 1/2
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99) £99 1/8
4 per cent Funding Loan (£113 5/8) £113 5/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loans (£103 1/2) £103 1/2
New War Loan (£101 1/4) £101 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£110 7/8) £110 7/8

INDUSTRIALS
Standard Motors (11-6) 11-9
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (34-0) 34-0
Hydro Electric No dealings.
Electric Music Industry (7-6) 7-7 1/2
Princhin Johnson (18-6) 18-7 1/2
Imperial Chemicals (29-3) 30-0
Woolsworth New Ordinary (51-9) 51-10 1/2
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1939 (£47 1/2) £48
Dundee Rubber (32-7 1/2) 32-9
Unilever Ordinary (23-0) 22-9
Ford Motors (17-3) 17-4 1/2
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£54) £54
British American Tobacco Ordinary (90-0) 90-7 1/2
Carreas 'A' (£3 7/8) £3 7/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (95-0) 94-4 1/2
P and O Def (20-4 1/2) 20-4 1/2
Distillers (62-6) 62-6
Bredfords Dye (3-6) 3-6
British Celanese (3-0) 3-0
J and P Coates Ordinary (29-0) 29-0
Courtauids Ordinary (29-7 1/2) 29-7 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (3-0) 3-0
Vickers Limited Ordinary (14-9) 14-9
Inter Nickel Ordinary (dol 35) dol 35 1/2
Indian Iron (43-9) 43-9

TEA SHARES
Assam Company (18-9, 18-3
Donaro Tea (31-3) 30-0
Empire of India (21-10 1/2) 21-10 1/2

JUTE
Barnagore (£8) £8

RUBBER SHARES
Anglo Dutch Rubber (14-10 1/2) 15-0
Guia Kelampong (15-7 1/2) 15-9
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (25-1 1/2) 25-1 1/2

MINING SHARES
Nandydrug (20-0) 20-0
Burma Corporation (7-3) 7-3
Rio Tintos (£7 1/4) £7 1/4
East Rand Properties (40-7 1/2) 41-3
Rand Mines (£6 3/8) £6 3/8

MINE SHARES
Crown (£12) £12
Associated Portland Cement (61-10 1/2) 61-10 1/2
Trinidad Leasehold (60-0) 60-0
Sub Nigel (£7 3/8) £7 3/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (20-7 1/2) 21-3
Union Corporation (£6 7/8) £6 7/8

OIL SHARES
Venezuela Persian (25-7 1/2) 25-7 1/2
Anglo India (36-3) 36-3
Burma Oil (53-1 1/2) 53-1 1/2
Mexican Eagle (7-10 1/2) 7-10 1/2
Shell Transport (40-7 1/2) 40-7 1/2
Royal Dutch (£18) £18

RAILWAY SHARES
Great Western Ordinary (£36 1/4) £35 3/4
London Midland Ordinary (£13-3/8) £16 3/4
London North Eastern Def (£1 3/4) £1 5/8
London Southern Def (£10 5/8) £11
London Transport 5 per cent (£118 1/2) £118 1/2
London Transport 'C' (£33 1/2) £33

CUSTOMS REVENUE

Total Indian Central Excise Revenue excluding Salt revenue during the month of January amounted to Rs. 3,80,39,000 against Rs. 4,28,86,000 last year January. Total for the ten months amounts to Rs. 32,00,46,000, while the Budget estimate for the year is Rs. 39,16,00,000. Central Excise duties amounted to Rs. 78,20,000 during January and total for the ten month stands at Rs. 7,03,95,000.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED
Bombay : Feb. 21.
B I S N Coy's American s s Extavia of 3096 reg tons Capt R E Klund arrived from Heuston with general cargo.

LOADING
Bombay : Feb. 21.
The following vessel is booked for loading on 21st Feb. 1941 :—
Japanese s s Haruna Maru.

IMPORTS
Bombay : Feb. 21.
1099 pkgs gum; 70 cases waste silk spin yarn; 55 cases silk waste yarn; 34 cases cmbd goods; 33 cases rayon peegoods; 60 bs noil yarn; 136 bales raw silk; 240 slabs tin; 72 bales cotton.

EXPORTS
Bombay : Feb. 21.
200 bales raw cotton Vasanjee Morarjee; 2800 bags gr nut oil cake meal Louis Dreyfus and Co; 3210 bags linseed Louis Dreyfus and Co; 492 bales raw cotton Podar Trading Co Ltd; 1300 bags gr nut oil cake expeller Kishan Prasad and COo Ltd; 250 bags sandiewood Sorabji Nowroji; 25 bundles sandiewood G Tokersey; 400 bales raw cotton Cotton Export and Import. Ltd; 130 bales raw cotton B Shah and Co; 1400 bags gr nut oil cake expeller F H Kassam; 3151 bags gr nut oil cake expeller Raja Oil Mills; 7040 bags gr nut oil cake expeller Kashinath and Sons; 1366 bags gr nut oil cake expeller Vaid Bros Ltd; 200 bales raw cotton Narsee Nagsee and Co; 150 bales raw cotton J M Dave and Co; 300 bales raw cotton G Dossa and Co; 100 bales raw cotton Fatehsinhji Ginning Pressing and Mfg Co; 300 bales raw cotton Arjan Khimji and Co; 18 bags shark fins R Dhanji and Co; 12 bags fish maws R Dhanji and Co; 300 bales raw cotton Volkart Bros; 400 bs raw cotton Japan Ctn Trading Co Ltd; 1116 bales cotton twist waste Sapt T Products (India) Ltd; 208 bales cotton pcegoods W H Brady and Co Ltd; 572 bales cotton pce goods The Bombay Dyeing and Mfg Co. Ltd; 218 cases gum The Straits Calcutta Commercial Co; 20 cases chutney E Spinner and Co; 100 bags sandlewood H A Mahomed and Son; 225 bales cotton twist waste C Jairam and Co; 14 bales cotton pce goods F F Campbell and Co Ltd.

BANK OF ENGLAND WEEKLY RETURNS

London : Feb. 20.

	This week in £.
Total Bullion	1,500,000
Public Deposits	31,800,000
(a) Other deposits	155,800,000
Government securities	152,100,000
(b) Other securities	23,500,000
Notes and Coin	30,000,000
Notes in circulation	601,500,000

Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities 16.00 per cent
(a) Other deposits include bankers 103,500,000
(b) Other securities include discounts 3,800,000
Total deposits 187,500,000
Total securities 175,600,000

PEPPER & GINGER

Bombay : Feb. 21.
The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd. :—

	Rs.as.ps.
Pepper ready Alleppey per candy	75 0 0
Pepper Chaitra Sud 15 per candy	78 0 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15 per candy	80 4 0
Ginger bleached per cwt	15 0 0
Ginger Chaitra Sud 15 per cwt	12 4 0

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay : Feb. 21.
RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

In full-pressed bales.	Yesterday.	This year.	Since 1st Septr. Last year
Khandesh	1,894	79,238	48,245
Central India	1,775	84,708	64,140
Barsi and Nagar	102	75,367	101,434
Hyderabad/Gaorani		24,590	40,047
Berar	3,321	249,946	235,770
Central Provinces	1,603	49,429	56,481
Total Oomras	8,695	563,278	546,117
Dholeras	51	40,698	35,794
Rajputana	369	4,086	23,953
Sind-Punjab	5,746	322,935	283,171
Broach	329	19,201	99,433
Coompta and Dharwar		29,875	14,734
Westerns-Northerns	71	30,901	16,475
Cocoanada		239	50
Tinnevelly & Cambodia		522	1,309
Total	15,261	1,012,788	1,043,737
Arrived by road to 6th Feb. 1941		132,250	133,248

BOMBAY METALS
Bombay : Feb. 21.

Yellow Metal sheet	Rs. 70/0
Copper sheets	Rs. 78/8

Tone :—Dull.

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS.
Bombay : Feb. 21.

Wheat May	0 4 6
Linseed May	0 6 0
Groundnut February	1 12 0
Castorseed May	2 0 0
Cottonseed May	1 0 0
Silver 1st Settlement	0 10 0
Silver 2nd Settlement	1 3 0
Gold 1st Settlement	0 6 0
Gold 2nd Settlement	0 9 6

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.
Bombay : Feb. 21.

Approx. quotations.	Ready.	Delry. contract
Bengal Fine	119/22	
Berar	139/46	
C. P. 1	167/71	
C. P. 2	149/54	
Khandesh	119/26	
Muglai	130/32	Feb. March
Broach		+20 +80
Punjab S G 289F	309/14	
Punjab R G 289F	284/89	
Punjab R G 4F	224/29	

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

F P Bales.	1940/41	1939/40
Receipts to date 20-2-41	2862000	6285000
Receipts yesterday 20-2-41	4000	4000
Export to date 20-2-41	712000	4767000
Stock at Ports 14-2-41	3494000	2954000
Stock at interior towns do	3192000	2892000
Stock at Liverpool 14-2-41		
Visible Supply 14-2-41		
Quantity in sight 14-2-41	8601000	11134000
Quantity out of sight 14-2-41		

COTTON ROOM RATES
Bombay : Feb. 21.

	Extra Spr.	fine.	Sup.	Fine.	F.G	Good
M G Bengal U P		124	122	120	118	
M G Punjab		124	122	120	118	
M G Rajputana		131	129	127	125	
M G Oomra No. 3		152	149	146	143	...
M G C. P. No. 1		174	171	168	165	...
M G C. P. No. 2		159	156	153	150	...

NUTAN VIDYALAYA
The first annual festival of the Vidyalaya will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) at the Sunderbai Hall (next to the All-India Radio) Queen's Road.

PARSI MATRIMONIAL DISPUTE

Important Ruling As To Jurisdiction

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice B. J. Wadia)
Hilla Maneksha Panthaky ..... Plaintiff
Versus
Maneksha Darasha Panthaky ... Defendant

This was a Chamber Summons taken out by the defendant for revocation of leave granted by this Court on 12th December, 1940, under Section 29 (3) of the Parsi Marriage and Divorce Act of 1936 to file the suit in this Court though the defendant resided outside British India.

The plaintiff had filed this suit for Judicial Separation, permanent alimony and for custody of the children born of the marriage which had been performed at Jaina in Nizam State. She now resided in Bombay and contended that though her husband was a Railway servant at Upalwai in Nizam State, there being no Parsi Matrimonial Court at Secunderabad or Hyderabad it would be a great hardship on her if this Court were to deny her the necessary leave to file this suit in Bombay The defendant's case was that the refusal of leave would not be any hardship on the plaintiff and that the plaintiff was not a person residing in Bombay within the meaning of Section 29 (3) of the Act. Secondly counsel for the defendant argued that his client who was a Railway servant in Nizam State, was not a Parsi subject *of His Majesty* within the terms of Section 1 (2) of the Parsi Marriage and Divorce Act of 1936, and therefore that Act did not apply to him, and this Court had no jurisdiction in the matter On these two grounds he contended that the leave granted should be revoked.

JUDGMENT

Dealing with the second point first, His Lordship referred to Section 1 (2) of the Act which says "It extends to the whole of British India and, in respect of Parsi subjects of His Majesty, to the whole of India". His Lordship then cited a passage from the case of Udny v. Udny [(1869) L. R. 1 Sc. & Div. 441 H.L.] where Lord Westbury explained that the law of civilized countries ascribed to each individual two distinct legal states or conditions,—a political status or nationality, and a civil status which depended on domicil, and gave him certain municipal rights His Lordship then laid down, "The words in Section 1 (2) of the Act, namely Parsi subjects of His Majesty refer to the political status of such subjects as opposed to their civil status. Therefore the jurisdiction of the Court depends upon the political status of the Parsi subject, that is his nationality and his allegiance and not upon his domicil." His Lordship then went on to say that the term "Subject of His Majesty" was not defined in the Act but that it was the same in meaning as the term 'British subject" which has been defined in the Indian Naturalization Act of 1926 to include a person who has been born in British India, and it being proved by evidence that the defendant was born in Bombay in 1898 he was a Parsi subject of His Majesty to whom the Act applied, and therefore, the Court had jurisdiction in the matter. His Lordship was further of the opinion that by residing as well as by serving in the Nizam State for several years, the defendant had at best changed only his domicil and could not be said to have given up his allegiance to the British sovereign.

With regard to the other point raised by the defendant as to the residence of the plaintiff, His Lordship cited the observations of Sir Charles Sargent in Mahomed Shuffli v. Laldin (3 Bom. 227) that *residence* was an elastic term with a variety of meanings according to the Statute or document in which it was used, and then stated, "It may be noted that both under the Parsi Marriage and Divorce Act and under the Indian Divorce Act the test of jurisdiction is residence and not domicil. But the residence need not necessarily be permanent. It is enough if it is bona fide with an element of continuity about it, so that even if it is not permanent, it cannot be said to be merely casual or for a temporary and passing purpose." In this case, His Lordship was satisfied that the plaintiff was residing in Bombay for the purpose of Section 29 (3) of the Act.

On both the grounds therefore, His Lordship dismissed the Chamber Summons with costs, and held that the leave to file the suit in this Court had been properly granted.

Mr. N H. C. Coyajee instructed by Messrs Chitnis and Kanga appeared for the defendant in support of the Chamber Summons. Mr. M. L. Maneksha instructed by Messrs. Dastur and Co. appeared for the plaintiff to show cause against the Chamber Summons.

CONGRESS AFFAIRS IN PUNJAB

Kripalani Invited To Guide Organisational Work

LAHORE, Feb. 21.

The Working Committee of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee at a meeting to-day decided to extend an invitation to Acharya Kripalani, General Secretary of the All-India Congress, to visit the Punjab at an early date to help and guide the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee regarding Congress organisational work in the Province.

The position of Congress members in Municipal Committees and District Boards of the Province was also discussed and it was decided to examine each case and then take action in accordance with the general instructions of Mahatma Gandhi.—A. P.

FURNISH BAIL & PUT UP DEFENCE

Gandhiji's Advice To Jammu Workers

JAMMU, Feb. 20.

Mahatma Gandhi has advised Jammu Congress workers against whom action has been taken in connection with the Independence Day Celebrations to defend their cases and furnish the required bail.

Four workers including the President of the Jammu Congress who were in jail furnished the required bails and were released.—A. P.

TELEPHONE LINE CUT NEAR KOHAT

PESHAWAR, Feb. 21.

The Bannu-Kohat telephone line was found cut near mile 65 from Kohat recently. Copper wire of considerable length was stolen. Repairs were carried out on the following day.

Twenty-five tribesmen of the Daur tribe, who had come to Bannu, were arrested in the city, following the decision of the Government to launch "Brampta" against Daurs

Mr. Gul, a proclaimed offender of Mandeve, has surrendered to the Bannu police. Mohd. Khel, a Khassadar, has arrested another proclaimed offender named Hakim Khan alias Titi Gul Wazir Sperka of Domel and handed him over to the local police. He was one of the gang which ambushed a taxi lorry on the Bannu-D. I. Khan road on March 7 last and killed seven passengers and kidnapped an asistant sub-inspector of police.—A. P.

Thom's Body Cremated

CALCUTTA, Feb. 21.

The body of Sir John Thom Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court, which was brought down to Calcutta yesterday, was cremated at the Lower Circular Road Crematorium this morning. The funeral service was private.—A. P

ELECTRICITY FOR COAL CUTTING

Increased Use In Indian Mines

Increased use is being made of electrical and mechanical appliances in Indian mines.

The number of coal mines using electrical energy was 144 in 1939 as compared with 136 and 124 in the two previous years and the aggregate horse-power employed at coal mines increased from 98,077 in 1938 to 1,04,000 in 1939, an increase of 6.05 per cent. During the year electrical plant was installed in seven mines, and of mines using electricity one was re-opened.

Electricity was used in 22 metalliferous mines and the aggregate horse-power employed was 8,107 as against 7,751 in the previous year.

There were three serious and two fatal accidents due to electricity; one of the fatal accidents occurred below ground and the other on a surface transmission line

During the year, 3,500,000 lb of gun powder, 81,000 lb of high explosives, 26,000 lb. of permitted explosives and 80,000 lb of liquid oxygen were used These explosives were employed in quarries in the Bokaro coalfields

The number of coal cutting machines used was 203 in 1939, as compared with 186 in 1938 and 140 in 1937. All the machines were electrically operated and were employed in 72 mines Besides coal cutting machines six pneumatic picks worked by compressed air were in use in one mine. The total areas undercut was 10,816,000 square feet as compared 8,827,000 square feet in 1938

CALCUTTA EXCHANGE RULES STEADY

Calcutta, Feb 21

Shares were steady and active condition continued in speculative Engineering issues and miscellaneous industrial stocks. Jutes, Coals, Teas and Cottons were in strong request at steady and improved prices. Government securities were unchanged.

Government securities : 3 per cent loan 1941 101; 3 per cent loan 1951/54 98/14 small lot; 3 per cent loan 1963/65 94/4/6; 3 per cent Defence Bonds 1946 100/10 small lot; 3 1/2 per cent G P 94/15; 4 per cent loan 1960/70 107/13; small lots; 5 per cent loan 1945/55 112/4; 3 per cent Punjab Bonds 1949 97/6 small lot; 4 per cent Punjab Bonds 1948 106/8 small lot; 3 per cent C P 1949 97/14 ct; 3 per cent Assam 1952 95/3/6; Reserve Bank 106.

Railways : Darjeeling Himalayan pref 101; Shahdara (Delhi) Saharanpur 157;

Cottons : Benares Cottons 2/6; Cawnpore Textiles 6/6; Dunbar 206; Kesoram 6/9; New Victoria Ord 1/14; do pref 5/10.

Coals : Amalgamated 26/4 small odd lot; Bengal 357; Bhalgora 5; Bokaro and Ramgur 14/10; Burrakur 13/6; Burra Dhemo 4/5; Churulia 1/11; Ghusick and Muslim 4/8; ct; Kuardi 3/2; Nazira 8/12; Samla 2/1; North-west F P 21/12; Sendra 12/8; South Karanpura 4/7; Talcher 1/7;

Jutes : Anglo India 314/8; small lots; Auckland 165; Bally 220; Birla 25/8; Budge Budge 346; Caledonian 362; Champdany 166 small lots; Clive 'A' pref 149; Cheviot 181; Dalhousie pref 173; Empire 23/8; Gourepore 650; Howrah 49/14; do a pref 156/8; Hooghly ord 54/8; Hukumchand ord 8/13; India 288; Kamarhatty 460; do pref 161 small lot; aKnknarrah 370 (mutilated); do pref 161 small lot; Lothian 236/8; Megna 38/4 small lot; Naskarpara 18/4; National 21/8; New Central 294/8 c dic; do pref 172 c div; Northbrook 32/4; Nuddea 56/8; Presidency 4/4 small lot; Reliance 54/8; Standard 267 small lot.

Miscellaneous : Burma Corpn 8/3; Indian Copper 2/1; Dalmia Cement pref 109 small lot; Agra Elec 121; Bengal Telephone ord 18/12 small lot; do pref 11/12; Shahjahanpur Elec 6/4; Braithwaite and Co 10/6; Burn and Co ord 380 small lot; Indian Iron 31/2; Indian St. Wagon ord 62/4 small lots; do pref 153; Indian Steel and Wire Products defd 38/4; do conty 7/6; National Iron and Steel 7/15; Steel Corpn 19/1; do pref 116; Balmer Lawrie 322; B I Corpn ord 4/10; Dunlop Rubber ord 40 small lots; do second pref 116; Indian Cables 21/12; Walford Transport ord annas 14; Indo Burma Petrol 105 small lots; Indian Paper Pulp 142/8 small lot; Mysore Paper 14/12; Orient Paper 10/11; Sree Gopal Paper 10/7; Star Paper 10/3; Titaghur Paper 17/4; Midnapore Zemindary 72; Connemara 1.33 cts ct; Jeram Kuantan .70 cts ct; Kempas 1.94 cts ct; Mandai Tukang .14 cts ct; Sepang Valley 1.06 cts c div ct; Sungei Ramal 9.92 cts ct; Sungei Way 2.77 1/2 cts ct; Tambalak .36 cts ct; Assam Saws 3/10 ct; Bengal Assam Steamship ord 249/8 small lots; Indian General Navgn pref 118/8; Murree Brewery 13/3; Ramnuggar Cane and Sugar ord 8; do pref 119.

Teas : Bishnauth 25/3; Chandypore 69; Eastern Cachar 8/6; Ellen Barrie 270; Tezpore 8/3; do pref 14/12.

Debentures : 4 per cent 1945 Calcutta Municipal 105/4; 4 1/2 per cent 1936/41/46 Titaghur Paper Mills 102/8 small lots.—A.P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 21st Feb. 1941 :—
Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hrs. +.020 inches.
Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 73.5 deg.
Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 68.0 deg.
Maximum temperature during 24 hrs. 82.6 deg. (1.0 below normal)
Minimum temperature during 24 hrs. 70.0 deg. (1.7 above normal).
Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 74 per cent.
Direction of wind at 8 a.m. N N E.
Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 6 miles per hr.
Total movement of wind in 24 hrs. 167 mls.
Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours. 21 miles per hour.
Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 1.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 21/2/1941

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 75.6 deg. F. a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.16 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.98 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

COLOMBO QUOTATIONS

Colombo, Feb 21

Rubber : 49 both sheet and crepe. Yesterday's closing rates were same. Copra 35.00 Cocoanut Oil F.O.B. 235.00 nominal.

Share market : Bopitiya Tea 7 1/2; Castlereagh Tea 19; Mahavilla 11 1/4; Uplands Tea 11 1/2; Uvakelle Tea 12; Langatriver Rubber 17; Periya Rubber 5 3/4; Pimbura Rubber 15; Mayan Tea Rubber 10 1/2; Neuchatel 18 1/4; Watapota Rubber Tea 10 1/2; Dehiowitta Rubber 7/8; Elia Tea 55; Rakawana Tea Rubber 6; Commercial Companies Colombo Hotels 5 per cent first mort. debs 85 3/4.—A. P.

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

Karachi, Feb 21

To-day's closing quotations :—
Cotton : Sind, March 13/11/3; May 13/6/3; Punjab, March 12/6; May 12/7; American, March 22/4/3; May 22/1/9; steady.
Wheat : March 27/10/3; July 26/10/6; dull.
Gram : July 23/11/6.
Toria : February 32/9/6; March 32/15/6; May 33/9.
Cottonseed : March 14/11/9; May 15/2/3.

LINSEED & WHEAT
Bombay : Feb. 21.

Linseed May	4 11 3
Wheat May	3 10 6

PRECIOUS METALS
Bombay : Feb. 21.
The following are the weekly quotations for the precious metals :—

	Per cent.	Per tola
Platinum Elephant Brand	100	Rs. 68
Platinum Elephant Brand	97	Rs. 67
Platinum Anchor Brand	25	Rs. 20
Palladium	100	Rs. 50
Iridium	100	Rs. 200
Osmium	100	Rs. 70
Ruthenium	100	Rs. 90
Rhodium	100	Rs. 250

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay : Feb. 21.

	Rs.as.ps.
Castorseeds May—	
Opening	30 4 0
Highest	30 5 0
Lowest	30 0 0
Closing	30 2 0
Groundnuts February—	
Opening	25 2 6
Highest	25 12 0
Lowest	25 2 6
Closing	25 12 0
Cottonseeds May—	
Opening	18 9 6
Highest	18 13 3
Lowest	18 9 3
Closing	19 13 0
Groundnuts May—	
Opening	26 2 3
Highest	26 4 0
Lowest	26 1 9
Closing	26 13 0

WALL STREET MARKET.

New York : Feb 20

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following New York Stock Exchange report :—

	Dollars
United States Steel Corporation	57 3/8
General Motors	41 7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining	23 3/4
American Telephone and Telegraph	157
Western Union Telegraph	20
New York Central R R	12 1/4
Socony X-D	8 1/2
Texas Corporation	35 1/4
Consolidated Oil	5 3/8
International Nickel of Canada	24 1/8
Chase National Bank	29 1/4
National City Bank of New York	25 1/2

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay : Feb. 21.
Fine White Java Sugar per cwt—
Shipment December Rs. 9/5 F.B.H.
Shipment March Rs. 9/4 F.B.H.
Indian Sugars Ready—
Ready ordinary Rs. 14/3 to 14/8
Ready large grain Rs. 14/9 to 15/9.
Tone :—Steady.

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M	below Liverpool May 406 penny points at 1/6
Broach J/A	below Liverpool July 400 penny points at 1/6
Broach A/M	below New York May 322 cent points at 331
Broach J/A	below New York July 301 cent points at 331

Tin Statistics For October, 1940

According to the November issue of the Statistical Bulletin issued by the Tin Research Institute world production of tin in October, 1940, is estimated at 19,900 long tons, compared with 23,200 tons in September. The total production for the first ten months of the current year is approximately 193,500 tons, against 136,800 tons in the corresponding period of 1939.

Exports during August, September and October, from the countries signatory to the International Tin Agreement, and over—and under-exports at the end of October are stated below, in long tons of tin :

	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	End Oct.
Belgian Congo	†	†	†	†
Bolivia	2,815	3,149	†	†
Fr. Indo-China	†	†	†	†
Malaya	7,222	9,056	5,604	—5,797
Neth. East Indies	3,571	4,058	4,486	+ 196
Nigeria	396	1,687	1,112	+2,035
Thailand	1,460	1,288	1,583	—3,490

†Not yet available.

United States deliveries totalled 93,634 tons in the first ten months of 1940, showing an increase of more than 77 per cent as compared with the deliveries of 52,660 tons in the first ten months of 1939. This year's deliveries include tin acquired for the emergency reserve stock.

The consumption of tin in the United Kingdom in the first nine months of 1940 was 22,501 tons against 18,352 tons in the corresponding period of 1939.

World stocks of tin, including smelters' stocks and carry-over, increased by 1,066 tons during October 1940, to 53,890 tons at the end of the month. Stocks at the end of October, 1939, were 46,561 tons.

The average cash price of standard tin in London was £258.1 in October, 1940, against £251.3 in the previous month and £230.0 in October, 1939. The average price of Straits tin in New York was 51.51 cents per lb. in October, against 50.32 cents per lb. in September and 55.25 cents per lb. a year ago.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool : Feb. 20.

	UPPERS.	GIZA NO. 2
Spot	11.11+1	12.06—0
March	10.42+1	11.07+1
May	10.43+1	11.06+1
July	10.44+1	11.02+1
November	10.39+1	11.04+1

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

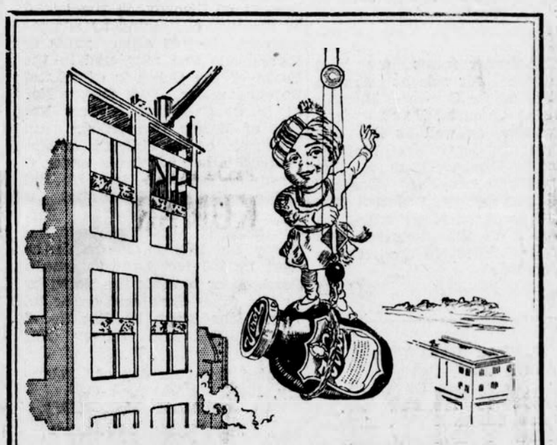
Bombay : Feb. 20.

		Highest	Lowest	Closing at 5 p.m.
Broach	A/M	183 3/4	181 3/4	183 1/2
Broach	J/A	186	184 1/2	185 3/4
Oomra	March	144 1/2	143	144 1/4
Oomra	May	146 1/2	145	146 1/2
Oomra	July	148 1/2	147	148 1/2
Bengal	March	119	117 3/4	118 1/2
Bengal	May	120	118 3/4	119 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Feb. 20.
On the Stock Exchange Giltedged Securities advanced on fair buying and Kaffirs on Cape and local support. There was some demand for Indian Loans but elsewhere conditions mostly were quiet. Industrials were inclined to be dull with Textiles heavy and Home Rails eased appreciably on profit taking but Oils improved. Among foreigners Argentines and Brazilians trend easier. Wall Street quietly firm.

LONDON RUBBER
London : Feb. 20.
Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb. 13-1/8 sellers.



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RACES

Observe "Subhas Day" On Feb. 23

MADRAS, Feb. 20

The President of the Madras Forward Bloc, has issued an appeal for observing an "All-India Subhas Day" on February 23.

The programme for the day includes prayers in all temples, mosques and churches for the safety of Mr. Subhas Bose and public meetings.—A. P.

JULLUNDUR, Feb. 20.—For alleged possession of unlicensed pistols, Sadhu Singh and Khanga Singh, two Jats, were convicted under the Arms Act and sentenced to three years' rigorous imprisonment each, by a local Magistrate.—A. P.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

The newly constituted "Children's Day Committee" in the Bombay Suburban District, under the chairmanship of Mr. R. S. Balsara, is to hold their "Children's Day" in the Suburban area to-day.

FISHERMAN OFFERS SATYAGRAHA

Mr. B. R. Binge, Secretary of the Bandra Congress Committee, a fisherman of Danda Fishing Village, Bandra, was arrested by Sub-Inspector Mouivi, of the Bandra Police, at 8-40, on Friday, for shouting anti-war slogans.

EXTERNEE'S ARRESTED

Gabriel Manuel alias Coutinho, and John Sebastian Fernandes, externees of the Bombay Suburban District, were arrested yesterday in a hut at Palli, Bandra.

Gabriel, is said to have 9 previous convictions and Fernandes 10, all for housebreaking and theft.

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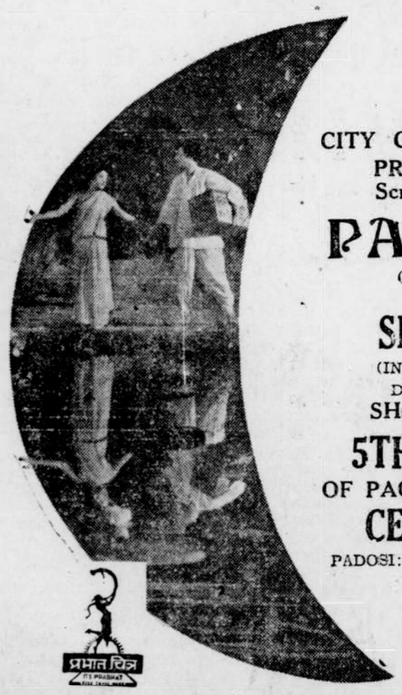

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Bombay & Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Magh Vad 11, 1997
Muslim: Moharrum 25, 1360
Parsi: Shenrever 21, 1310
Highitide: 9-2; 22-20
Lowtide: 3-38; 15-22
Sunrise: 7h. 4m.
Sunset: 6h. 42m.

LABOUR WELFARE DEPARTMENT

The prize distribution ceremony of the Intro Mural Football League of the Naigaum Centre will be held to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. at the Government Labour Welfare Centre, B. D. D. Chawls, Naigaum.

Mr. M. P. La Bouchardier, Labour Officer, Government of Bombay will preside.

EUTHENASIA

A discussion on Euthenasia will be held under the auspices of the J. J. Hospital Post-Graduate Clinical Union at the Motlibai Lecture Theatre, next to the Motlibai Hospital to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. This meeting is open to all qualified medical practitioners.

FREE SCIENCE LECTURE

Under the joint auspices of the Royal Institute of Science and the B. P. A. Education Association, a free public lecture in Gujarati on "History of Lamps" will be given by Prof. V. D. Mujumdar to-day (Saturday) at 4 p.m. in the R.I.S., Ground Floor, Room No. 2.

BOHRA YOUTH LEAGUE

Under the auspices of the above League, Mr. Abid Gulrez will speak on "The Progress of Indian motion picture" at 9-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday) at the League's Hall, 129 Abdul Rehman Street. Mr. Muzaffer Husain Sharneem will preside.

MAHASHIVRATRI AT VILE PARLE

Under the auspices of Seth Matubhai Kasanbhai Adhyatmic Sanskrit Vidyalaya, Mahashivratri will be celebrated for three days, viz., to-day (Saturday), Sunday and Monday, when at 9 p.m. Shri Savitriben will speak on "Tulsidas", "Sahitya and Samaj" and "Devotion in Ramayana" respectively and Mr. Dularilal Bhargav will give music entertainment at Brahma Nivas, Bajaj Road.

ANTI-FASCIST MEETING

The second anti-Fascist propaganda meeting will be held under the auspices of the Bombay Radical Democratic Party, to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. near the Princes Dock Clock Tower, Wadi Bunder. Messrs. V. B. Karnik, Kale, Ilahi Khan, Tajuddin and others will address the meeting.

SCHOOL OF INDIAN MUSIC

The weekly concert of the school will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. at the School Hall, 257 Vithalbhai Patel Road, Bombay 4.

HINDU-MUSLIM ENGLISH & HINDI NIGHT SCHOOL, WORLI

Under the auspices of the above school, Dr. J. M. Palkar will give a lecture on "Health for the students" to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 p.m. (S.T.) in premises of the above school, Worli.

LECTURE ON VEDANTA PHILOSOPHY

Swami Sambuddhananda of the Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, will deliver a public lecture on 'Vedanta Philosophy' at Batliboi's Accountancy Institute, Prescott Road, Fort, to-day (Saturday) at 3-30 p.m (S.T.).

BAND AT VICTORIA GARDENS

The Bombay Ex-Service Town Band, Indian Army, will play a programme of music at the Victoria Gardens, Byculla, Bombay, to-day (Saturday) commencing from 5-45 to 7-45 p.m. (S.T.).

MATHEMATICAL COLLOQUIUM

Prof. R. P. Kar, of Secondary Teachers' College, will speak on "Teaching of Logarithms in Schools" at 4-30 p.m. at the R. I. S. to-day (Saturday).

KHAR-SANTA CRUZ SUB-BRANCH OF ALL-INDIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

A public meeting will be held to-day (Saturday) at 4-30 p.m. at the Lakshmi Nagar Hall, 10th Road, Khar, when the delegates from the Sub-branch will speak on their impressions of the Bangalore Sessions of the A. I. W. C. Lady Rama Rau will also address the gathering in Hindi. Mrs. Jayashri Raiji, will preside.

YOUTHS' PARLIAMENT

"In the interest of communal unity, Mr. Jinnah and Mahatma Gandhi should retire from politics" will be the subject of a public debate in the Youth Lodge, Blavatsky Lodge, to-day (Saturday) at 6-15 p.m. Prof. S. C. Sarkar will preside. Mr. R. S. Nemkar will propose. Mr. M. D Japheth will oppose.

FLAG SALUTATION AT CONGRESS HOUSE

Under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, the monthly flag salutation ceremony will be held tomorrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. (S.T.) at the Congress House, when Shri Abid Ali Jafer bhai will unfurl the National Flag.

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN EXTENSION LECTURES

The next lecture under the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan will take place at 4 p.m. today (Saturday) at the University Buildings (Ground Floor: South Wing). Shri A. D. Pusalkar will speak on "Indus Civilization —Descriptive".

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METRO—"Little Nellie Kelly." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Thief of Bagdad". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Great Dictator." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Pardesi". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
PATHE—"Sanskar". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Bandhan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
WEST END—"Lagna Pahawe Karoon". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Nartaki". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Narsi Bhagat". Daily at 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Madhusudan". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Raj Nartaki". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Padosi". Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
HIND-MATA—"Sneh Bandhan". Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Punarmilan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
CHITRA—"Matwali Meera". Daily at 4, 6-45, and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-15 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Dharma-Bandhan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.

SOCIAL WORKERS' SOCIETY

For sanitary rounds and visiting chawls, the members of the Society will meet today (Saturday) at 4-45 p.m. at Kolivada Station (Harbour Branch).

NEW ERA SCHOOL EXHIBITION

The New Era School Exhibition of the project work on "Our Big World" and "Citizenship" will be open to the public today (Saturday) between 4-30 and 6 p.m. in the New Era School, Hughes Road.

NEW ERA SCHOOL CAMP, KANDIVALI

All students going to the Camp at the Training Institute of Physical Education, Kandivali are to meet at Churchgate Station at 1 p.m. to-day (Saturday).

A. E. S. HIGH SCHOOL

The annual prize distribution of the A. E. S. High School will be held in the School premises at 4 p.m. to-day (Saturday) The Hon. Mr. Justice K. B. Wassoodew will preside and distribute the prizes and also will present a 'Souvenir' to Dr. V. G. Rele, the Diamond Jubilee of whose birth was recently celebrated.

SOUTH INDIAN ASSOCIATION

Non-stop sacrificial spinning in celebration of Mahashivaratri to-morrow (Sunday) and Monday, the 24th instant from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the South Indian Association, Telang Road, Matunga. Open to all. Those who wish to participate may inform the Secretary.

There will be a public lecture to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. at the Association premises, when Swami Sambuddhananda, President, Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, will speak on "The message of Swami Vivekananda to Young India."

INDIAN EDUCATION SOCIETY'S GIRLS' SCHOOL, DADAR

The exhibition organised by I. E. S. Girls' School, Dadar, will be opened by Mr. M. C. Ghia to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m. in the Vanmali Hall. The Exhibition will be open to the public from Monday to Wednesday and Friday next from 2 to 7 p.m.

KANDIVLI PHYSICAL TRAINING INSTITUTE

At the Training Institute for Physical Education, Kandivli, Bombay, to-day (Saturday) 7-30 to 8-30 a.m. Cleanliness Parade. 9-30 a.m. Lecture by Prof. P. M. Titus. 10-30 a.m. to 12-30 p.m. Inspection of Residential Quarters. 3 to 5 p.m. Demonstrations. 5-30 p.m. Closing meeting. President, Mr. K. L. Panjabi. 9 p.m. onwards, Campfire and Powadas.

Memorial To Seth Anandilal Podar

A meeting of the friends and admirers of the late Seth Anandilalji Podar was held in the board room of the Native Share and Stock Brokers' Association on Thursday.

Mr. B. N. Karanjia occupied the Chair.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. K. R. P. Shroff and seconded by the Hon. Mr. Dalal was passed:

"In view of the suggestion made at the Sheriff's meeting held at Sir Cowasjee Jehangir Hall on the 19th September, 1940, to commemorate the memory of the late Seth Anandilalji Podar, this meeting of his friends and admirers resolves that a full size bronze statue be erected at a suitable place in the city of Bombay, and that for this purpose a committee consisting of the following gentlemen, with powers to co-opt, be and is hereby appointed:

Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, (President).
Mr. B. N. Karanjia, (Vice-President).
Mr. K. B. Vakil, Treasurer.

Messrs. B. M. Bhargav, Madhavprasad N. Pandit and Tanubhai D. Desai, Joint Secretaries.

Messrs. K. R. P. Shroff, Begraj Gupta, Pranlal D. Nanjee and the Hon. Mr. M. N. Dalal, and the functions of the Committee shall be:—

(a) To raise funds to the extent of the provisional estimate of Rs. 20,000 to Rs. 25,000 for the above purpose.

(b) To acquire a suitable site and to negotiate for the same with the Municipality or the Government.

(c) To place an order for the Statue, and

(d) To do all things usual and necessary in this connection."

The resolution was carried unanimously.

With a vote of thanks to the Chair proposed by Mr. Tanubhai Desai, the meeting terminated.

POSTAL NOTICE

Monday, the 24th February, 1941 will be a Post Office holiday on account of "Mahashivaratri"

All the Departments of the General Post Office and the Town Sub Offices will observe on that day the same working hours as on Sundays. The telegraph branches of the following combined offices will, however, remain open and work as usual:—

1. Colaba, 2. Kalbadevi, 3. Masjid, 4. Mazagaon, 5. Fort St. G. P. O., 6. Byculla, 7. Girgaon, 8. Malabar Hill, 9. Parel, 10. Dadar, 11. Bandra, 12. Mahim, 13. Mandvi, 14. Grant Road, 15. Santa Cruz, and 16. Vile Parle.

The other combined offices will remain entirely closed on that day.

In C. P. & Berar

No General Elections To Local Boards

NAGPUR, Feb. 21.

The Governor of C. P. and Berar has promulgated an act providing for the postponement of general elections to Local Boards in the Province upto 31-12-41.

An explanatory note states that owing to the abnormal circumstances and conditions arising out of the war, the Provincial Government considers it undesirable to hold elections to Local Boards in the Province in the current year. Elections to Municipal Committees, Notified Area Committees, and Panchayats will be unaffected by this act and it is also not the intention of the Government to apply the provisions of this Act to District Councils which have been dissolved and in which fresh elections have been ordered. Casual elections will be held as usual.—A. P.

On The Air

SATURDAY, FEB. 22.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 a.m. Musical prelude. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Yoga on the Air. 8-32 Indian music. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 to 9-50 As in Delhi 2. 9-50 A. I. P. Talk.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

11-30 a.m. Cri. comtry. (Poona relay). 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 to 2 As in Delhi 2. 3-30 Cricket comments.

Bombay II—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
51.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

From 7-30 Bombay 2 will operate on 89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s).

5 p.m. Tomorrow. 5-5 Indian music. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Indian music. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Indian music. 6-30 Talk by Marcella Genge. 6-45 Indian music. 7-30 As in Delhi 2. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Indian music. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 to 9 As in Delhi 1. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 10 to 10-45 As in Delhi 2.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

8 a.m. Lalit on Sarod. 8-10 Mazhuq Ali Khan. 8-30 Zohra Jan. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 Malika Pukhraj. 9-20 Nasir Khan. 9-40 M. Ismail. 10-10 Geet aur Bhajan. 11-30 M. Ismail. 11-40 Do Dadre. 12 noon For film fan. 12-57 p.m. News in Hindustani. 1 New L. S Orchestra. 1-13 Anne Ziegler and W. Booth. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 M. Spanier and His Band. 4 Yadavendra Hockey Tournament commentary relayed from New Delhi. 5 M. A. Khan. 5-20 Thumri Tilang on Sarangi. 5-30 Nasir Khan. 5-45 Malika Pukhraj. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Special announcements. 6-15 Zohra jan. 6-30 Raftar-i-Zamana: Weekly review of current events. 6-45 For Villagers only. 7-45 Afzal Husain. 8 Teen Tuhfe: Play in Hindustani. 8-35 Mohammad Ismail. 8-40 Malika Pukhraj. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Bazm-i-Mushaira. 10-45 News in English.

Calcutta I—Programme

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time).

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

5 p.m. Sukhdev Mukerjee. 5-15 Dipti Bhattacharya: Modern songs. 5-25 Rangalal Ganguli. 5-35 Dipti Bhattacharya: Modern songs. 5-50 Rangalal Ganguli. 6-5 Uma Bhattacharya. 6-20 For the rural and industrial areas. 7 Gouri Mittra. 7-20 Amiya Madhab Roy Chowdhury. 7-50 Amiya Madhab Roy Chowdhury. 8 Rupaanurag: Pala Kirtan. 9 Masters of Humour. 10 Dance music.

B. B. C. Programme

(W.L. 3-50 a.m. to 10-5 31.55m. and 49.10m. 6 p.m. to 8-15 25.53m. and 7-30 to 10 31.55m. and 49.10m.)

16-25 Programme. 16-30 News. 16-45 Democracy, by Prof. J. Huxley. 17-00 Calling British Forces in Far East: Music and messages. 17-30 To-day We Present. 17-45 J. D. Carr Thriller: Speech of Devil (1). 18-05 Henry Hall, Dance Orch. 18-30 News. 18-45 Questions of Hour. 19-15 R. Forsyth and R. Young, Pianos. 19-25 Programme. 19-30 Music Hall. 20-30 Books and People. 20-45 Music of Britain. 21-00 Le Suivi Trio. 21-30 News. 21-45 Questions of Hour.

RANJI TROPHY SEMI-FINALS:—A running commentary on the match between Maharashtra and Northern India will be made from Poona by Mr. A. F. S. Talyarkhan, commencing to-day (Saturday).

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6 00	22 00
Peshawar Express	6-15	22-45
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8-55	18-10
Calcutta Mail (via Chheoki)	9-30	20-15
Madras Express	10 15	14 30
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	12 30	17 40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Express	19 30	08 05
Allahabad Express	20 25	07 00
Poona Fast Passenger	21 45	12 10

B. B. & C. I. Railway.
(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M.	Dep H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 05
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	22 00
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 15
	(Mon)	(Sat)
The Flying Ranee, Bulsar	*9 15	15 55
The Flying Ranee, Surat	*9 48	15 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10 58	00 00
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday)	00 00	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	15 05	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 48	9 00

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday.

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A NOTEWORTHY SCHEME

Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola has done a service to the country by publishing in the form of a pamphlet entitled "A Constitution for Self-Governing India" the articles which he contributed to the Press a year ago. His constitution is in several respects a heterodox one, but at a time when schemes of cutting up India into a number of independent States on communal lines are seriously discussed, unusual constitutions like that suggested by Sir Ibrahim will hardly shock one. His scheme may even bring a sigh of relief to many as being designed to maintain the integrity of the country and unity among its people. Its main feature is that there is to be only "one Legislature and uniform laws for the whole country", the provinces or similar divisions in British India being only administrative units administered by "a set of officials appointed by and responsible to the Indian Government", while "the administration of Indian India should be left to the Indian Princes, who will carry it out by means of officials appointed by and responsible to them."

Joint National Family

As regards the vexed question of the representation of various communities and interests in the country, Sir Ibrahim claims to follow the principle of "a joint united national family" on the lines of the joint Hindu family. Assuming that the Indian Parliament will consist of 1,000 members, he would divide these into four equal groups, one consisting of representatives of the Princes, "who should frame their own rules and regulations for election or nomination as it may suit them", two groups being assigned separately to caste Hindus and Muslims and the fourth to "the scheduled classes, other classes of the Hindus, Christians, Parsees, Jews and other minorities." Following the principle suggested for the representation of the Indian Princes, Sir Ibrahim "would leave the caste Hindus, the Muslims and the others to arrange their own rules and regulations for election to the Indian legislature." As for the composition of the Executive, it is suggested that, if this is not decided by agreement among the four groups, there should be fairly proportional representation, say, on the cumulative system of voting, "the object being that each group should find reasonable representation on the Cabinet." It is unnecessary to give more details of the proposed constitution and, indeed, very few are given in the pamphlet as the author would in the first instance fix the country's attention on general outlines or the basic principles. "My object", he says, "will be gained if the scheme suggested is carefully scrutinised and subjected to every form of constructive criticism which would either improve it or provide an alternative scheme which can work efficiently in the best interests of a united and self-governing India". He is so keen on national unity that referring to the agitation for partitioning India, he says: "Every nationally minded Indian will highly deprecate all such tendencies, but facts must be faced and every attempt made to solve the problem in such a way as to ensure for India the status of one country and one nationality".

Worthy Of Consideration

We have set forth at some length the outlines of Sir Ibrahim's scheme in the hope that it will help to fix the country's attention on its basic principle of maintaining the integrity of the country and the unity of the Indian nation and that it will elicit that detailed constructive criticism which the author craves. For ourselves, we would defer detailed criticism but point out here that the scheme is infinitely better than that of partitioning the country and that, coming from one of the most esteemed leaders of the Muslim community, it deserves to be seriously considered. We would also add here that while the Pakistan scheme cannot possibly be acceptable to the country as a whole, there is no such intrinsic impossibility about the principle of one legislature, provided, first, that this is equitably constituted and, secondly, a fair measure of provincial autonomy is ensured by enlarging the powers of local bodies. A serious defect in the scheme is the leaving of a fourth of the country's population to the mercy of autocratic Princes without any provision for the growth of responsible Government in the States. Despite its shortcomings, however, the scheme has several promising features, which deserve to be considered seriously and dispassionately.

U. S. A. Help To Britain & China

Yet one more proof is available of the seriousness with which the United States Government is rushing help to Britain. The British Embassy in Washington has confirmed the report that about 200 bombers are being flown across the Pacific to British bases in the Far East. Most of these no doubt will be used to strengthen the defences of Singapore which is assuming growing strategic importance in view of Japan's "war of nerves". What is even more welcome and significant is the report that 70 pursuit planes, the latest and fastest standard American Army Air Corps fighters, are being transported by sea to Nationalist China. General Chiang Kai-Shek's armies, undefeated on land, have suffered much from Japan's aerial strength. Chungking, the war-time capital of the Chinese republic, has been repeatedly battered by Japanese bombers. With the acquisition of these planes, however, the Chinese will be able to put up a stiff resistance. Indeed, if followed by further consignments, these 70 bombers may finally turn the scales against the aggressor in this protracted war.

On the part of the United States Government, this gesture shows a determination to call the Japanese bluff. One can easily imagine how Tokyo will react to the news of the despatch of American aircraft to nationalist China. But America is unperturbed by any likelihood of provoking Japan. The Japanese have been having things their own way for too long a time and Uncle Sam has decided to put an end to "appeasement" in the Far East. Washington, it is obvious, is getting ready for serious developments, both in the Pacific and the Atlantic. The speech of Mayor La Guardia at the Mayors' Conference urging all civic administrations to tackle the problem of air-raid precautions is particularly significant. The well-informed Senator George, who is endeavouring to speed up the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill, is said to have foreseen "tremendous developments in about ten days". It appears that isolationism, having been finally abandoned, the United States is being steadily drawn into the vortex of war.

State Management Of Railways

One of the extenuating features of the Railway Budget is the decision, belated as it is, to terminate, during the next financial year, the contracts of two important railways, the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway and the Assam Bengal Railway. The people have for many years urged a rapid transference of all Company-managed railways to State control. But for reasons which are not at all convincing Government, have been extremely slow in accepting the policy and working it out. The present decision, however, has not been a difficult task. The former of these railways yields a good return and its big workshops at Ajmer will be an asset to Government in the manufacture of locomotives. The latter railway does not give a good return but Government have in any case to pay enough to the Company under the old guarantee to give a 3 per cent dividend to the shareholders, and it is certainly desirable for the guaranteeing agency also to manage the Railway. Moreover, bringing many railways under State control makes coordination and economy easy. The trend everywhere is to nationalise key industries. India needs the reform more than any other country.

Occupied China: An Inside View

In spite of the rigid Japanese censorship the following report has reached the Nofrontier News Service. It shows in detail some of the conditions only hinted at in stories sent by regular correspondents subject to the control of the censor and comes from a reporter long known to be reliable and thoroughly familiar with the region.

WILTON (U. S. A.), Jan. 7.

PEIPING.—The North China of to-day is a vastly different place from the North China of even two years ago. In the cities, the Japanese swarm everywhere—on the streets and in the public places, in the shops and in the restaurants. Bright neon signs light up the streets at night, but beside the Chinese characters are Japanese "kana", or phonetics. There are new schools housed in splendid buildings with playgrounds and teachers' residences. Hundreds of Japanese children clatter along the streets, book-bags on backs, going to them. But the fine equipment of the Chinese schools, provided by much sacrifice in former years, has been taken over for military purposes, and horses now stamp their hoofs on what once were smooth gym floors. The Japanese have brought with them their national game—baseball. They play it wherever there is an open space, even in the yards of the girls' dormitories of the Chinese schools. Chinese are supposed to look on respectfully.

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Traffic on the streets is thicker than ever, but two-thirds of it is military. Big army trucks swing recklessly down the middle of the road, running into luckless pedestrians and into one another. The humble rickshaw is safer. But most of all, the Japanese crowd the railroads. First and second class is exclusively Japanese, while third class is for Chinese. Westerners slip in where they can find room. Signs in the stations are always written in Japanese first, followed by rather atrocious Chinese. The English signs that once helped out the foreigner have now practically disappeared. All clocks must be set to Tokyo time. In this rather bleak northern latitude perpetual "daylight saving time" is a hardship, hence many schools have adopted the scheme of simply starting one hour later in the morning. For a while the French and British Concessions maintained standard time, but they, too, have abandoned it for Tokyo time.

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The economic situation in occupied China is complicated and difficult, with the Chinese dollar much shrunken in value. It now takes dol. 13.30 to buy one U. S. dollar. (At one time last spring it took over dol. 20!). This is in the Federated Reserve Bank money, artificially maintained by the Japanese. Speculation in Chinese national money goes on, in spite of official prohibition. Food costs have risen to twice what they were last fall, and that again was at least twice what they had been two years ago. Rents and land prices have soared likewise, and although wages have risen, they have not kept pace with the cost of living. Coal, in this climate, is an utter necessity. But the supply is limited and prices fantastic. The Japanese, who control the supply, have plenty, and manipulate quantity and price. Last winter it appeared that they were deliberately trying to freeze out the British Concession, then ringed about with barricades.

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Considering the fact that North China is not officially classed as a "conquered" country, but is supposed to be spontaneously and delightedly "co-operating" in the "New Order in East Asia", and that it is only its peace and prosperity that is sought, the endless petty regulations, constant arrests and house-to-house searches indicate slight inclination among the Chinese to "co-operate." Intimidation is the order of the day. The Chinese principal of one school has been arrested for questioning by three different bureaus. There are supposed to be shells hidden in the back yard of his school. He tells the Japanese they are welcome to the shells, he has no use for them. But they continue to seize him from time to time, locking him up over night without bringing any charge against him. The reason is that he refuses to pay tribute.

Not all Japanese are like this, however, you see intelligent, sensitive faces, faces that show suffering. There were many Japanese who were unhappy about the barricade affair of 1939-40.

The Japanese press has been very silent on international affairs. Even the reopening of the Burma Road brought little comment. The Japanese have a lot on their hands, and the responsible leaders know it.

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Moscow-Berlin Irritations

MOSCOW.—German marks are no longer accepted as a means of payment in the Soviet Union. This significant fact has reached the Nofrontier News Service across all the European censorships, and is only one of a series of irritations cropping up increasingly between Berlin and Moscow. This measure was taken by the Kremlin although German protests were vehement. Some interesting inferences may be made, in moderation, regarding the German-Russian Purchase Plan and relations in general.

As for Russia itself, food restrictions are getting worse and worse. Long queues wait in front of food shops. On the Trans-Siberian Railway (which a Nofrontier correspondent took to Vladivostok) no food can be obtained at the stations. Passengers offer dol. 5.00 to dol. 10.00 for an egg. The food situation may be either actual shortage or perhaps a tightening of the belt from the need of storing supplies.

Odessa is in a state of complete desolation. As the correspondent wandered through the streets he expected the buildings to collapse any moment. No care has been taken in the maintenance of the city; the only concern has been the fortifications at the port.

Several factors combine to indicate a growing restiveness on the part of both signatories to the Hitler-Stalin pact of 1939. German troops in Finland is one irritant. Germany's Balkan expansion is of course another, for Russia has been jealous, under all regimes, of any pressure in that area from central Europe. Hitler's eye has never been taken off the coveted Ukraine, and one new development is the intensification of Nazi propaganda through the Association of Ukrainian Nationalists.

British and American diplomats are hard at work trying to convince Stalin of the danger of having the Axis push into the Balkans. Both the Russian people and Russian diplomats have a strong antagonism to the British, a matter of old soreness at clever British trading, and efforts to turn Hitler's military might eastward for several years. But Americans have been looked upon more favourably and greatly admired for their technical ability. Therefore the British have been letting the American officials act as the spearhead of their drive for Russian sympathy.

Frankly Speaking

A Thought For The Day

"About the proposed League of Nations he (Aurobindo Ghose) then remarked (in 1918):

So long as any kind of militarism survives, so long as fields of political and commercial aggrandisement are there, and so long as national egoisms live and are held sacred and there is no final check on their inherent instinct of expansion, war will always be a possibility, and almost a necessity of the life of the human peoples . . . . . the League would break up as soon as the interests and ambitions of the constituent powers became sufficiently disunited."

. . . . . "The unity of human race by political and administrative means implies eventually the formation and organisation of a single WORLD-STATE out of a newly created though still loose, natural organic unity of mankind." . . . . .

. . . . . "Continent has no longer a separate life from continent; no nation can any longer isolate itself at will and live a separate existence. . . . . The idea of a World-State or world union has been born not only in the speculative, forecasting mind of the thinker, but in the consciousness of humanity out of the very necessity of this new common existence".—From Anil Baran Roy's book "Sri Aurobindo and the New Age."

Turkey's Firm Attitude

The suspicion and mistrust, with which the announcement of the Turco-Bulgarian Pact was first received, are dispelled by the subsequent clarification of Turkish attitude. The "Vakit"; a Turkish newspaper, for instance, says: "Certain people think that the signing of the Ankara Pact means that Bulgaria has secured Turkey's neutrality with a view to allowing the passage of German troops through Bulgarian territory. Without hesitation the Turks reply "No". There is irrefutable proof that Bulgaria by signing the declaration unreservedly recognizes the Anglo-Turk and Turco-Greek friendships and alliances." Another Turkish paper, the "Aksham", is equally emphatic and clear. It says: "If foreign circles have thought it might be possible for the Turks to act in a manner contrary to the stipulations of the alliance with Britain, they are greatly mistaken." Turkey, the paper emphasize, has made the Anglo-Turkish alliance her "national and permanent policy:" All this disposes of the fear and suspicion that Turkey would not resist a German advance through Bulgaria. Apart from the fact that Turkey will never repudiate her pledged word, it will not be in her own interest to do so.

Another Victory

With the greater prominence that the events in the Balkans and the Far East have been claiming, the victorious march of the British armies in Africa has been somewhat relegated to the background. Yet it is clear that General Wavell is not resting on his oars after the fall of Bardia and Benghazi. Indeed, the pace of the British advance, particularly in Abyssinia, has been considerably quickened. The garrison at Mega in Southern Abyssinia has capitulated to South African troops and over 600 prisoners, mostly Italians, have been taken. At the same time an important town in Abyssinia, Yavello, has been subjected to severe bombing and several military objectives hit. The Imperial troops, it appears, have successfully crossed the Juba river in Italian Somaliland. Both in Abyssinia and in Somaliland, therefore, it seems to be the beginning of the end of Italian rule. The Fascists are, as usual, putting up a nominal defence and one may confidently expect that India will get an extra influx of Italian war prisoners.

Occupied Paris

Messages received from authentic sources and from the Independent French Agency throw light on the pitiable condition of those living in Paris to-day. The requisition of food-staffs has created considerable disorder in the markets of the French capital and the requirements of German troops go far enough to deprive the people of Paris of some of the bare necessities of life. For instance, "German troops made a clean sweep of all the potatoes after the women had been waiting in queues for hours", according to the independant French Agency, quoted by Reuter. And as if this was not enough, the Germans went so far as to inflict a collective punishment on Parisians on the ground of having caused a disturbance, by depriving them of potatoes for forty days. Similarly, there is a general withholding of food supplies such as milk and butter and the coffee, which is for sale to the people is literally undrinkable.

Looting In Belgium & Poland

It is not France alone that is the victim of the German terror. The Free Belgian Agency, Inbel, describes the economic situation in Belgium as "catastrophic". In Poland the Germans are steadily expropriating all Polish property and business undertakings. "In Lodz, seventy private banks, and 4,300 factories, including all leading textile factories, 500 depots for textile raw material and finished goods, 8,500 shops selling hosiery, haberdashery, readymade clothes and fancy goods and 12,000 small business firms have been taken over.' This is the boast of the Nazi organ in Lodz, the "Lizmannstaedtar Zeitung". The time is obviously drawing near when the capacity to suffer of the Poles, the Belgians, the Czechs, the French—all those under Nazi domination—will reach the breaking point. The troubles of Hitler are only just beginning.

"Proper Representation"

The way in which the Bombay Municipal Corporation on Thursday threw out the resolution of Mr. M. O. E. Patel, requesting the Municipal Commissioner to submit a report as to how best to secure proper representation of all communities without creating special communal constituencies, is hardly the way in which such a resolution should have been treated. The amendment of Mr. Motichand Kapadia, viz., that the matter should be referred to the Law and Revenue Committee for report suggested the correct attitude for the Corporation to adopt. It may not be right to encourage communal representation in the Corporation. It may be that the grievances of the minority communities that their interests have not been properly safeguarded by the recent subdivision of wards, are not justified. But it, therefore, does not follow that the Corporation should have refused even to consider Mr. Patel's proposal or to look into the matter at all. It is regrettable that the Corporation not seldom refuses to give that sympathetic consideration to questions, to which minorities, rightly or wrongly, attach great importance, which they deserve.

Balkan Situation Analysed

LONDON, Feb. 18.

The Foreign Editor of the 'Daily Express" writes:

Be realistic regarding this Turco-Bulgarian declaration. You may be sure the Turks are.

Axis propaganda was doing its best last night to impress on neutral opinion that Turkey in 1941, like Russia in 1939, had made her peace with Germany and had opened the floodgates to invasion.

This risk of misrepresentation is one that Turkey had to take. It is no risk as far as her friends in Britain are concerned.

When we concluded our own treaty with the Turks it was generally understood that Turkey would be one of the bastions of the Balkans but not the only one. Rumania would take the first shock of German attack.

France as well as Britain would be behind her. Italy was neutral and it was expected that if Italy did join Hitler, Turkey would at once intervene on our side.

All this was upset by the fall of France, and when Mussolini did take a plunge, our commitments in the Mediterranean and in the Near East became so overwhelming that it was out of the question to send a big army to the Balkans.

The fall of France, therefore, signalled the finish of Rumania and with the Germans in Rumania it became obvious that Bulgaria could not hold out for long.

What was Turkey to do? Either invade Bulgaria in advance of the inevitable German "infiltration", which was unthinkable from either the military or the political point of view, or else play for time while endeavouring to bring Bulgaria into the anti-German front.

Turkey chose the second alternative and worked on the slim chance of bringing Yugoslavia as well as Bulgaria into a mutual assistance pact with Greece.

This effort failed. Now, when perhaps no more postponements are possible, Turkey has signed a pact which will make it clear to the Bulgarians that if they have an enemy it is not Turkey.

Because it is now plain to all that Turkey is not in a position to attack if the Germans do in-

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TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

"We should take it for what it says and not be too clever about its motives. It is constructive—the first direct peace move of the Axis."

—A Japanese spokesman quoted in "Japan Times".

"Mr. Ishii's statement "does not look to us like a peace offensive but as a calm and lofty warning addressed by Japan to all countries hostile to her."

—An Italian spokesman quoted by Rome Radio.

"Obviously London has read into the declaration of Mr. Ishii more than was indicated by Japan. Berlin political circles know nothing of the note which Tokyo is supposed to have sent to London. Japan's endeavour to emphasise again her peaceful intentions cannot be described as a formal peace offer."

—A Nazi spokesman quoted by official German News Agency.

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It is one of the paradoxes of modern political life that the whole world seems to be openly discussing the "secret" clause in the Sind Azad pact.

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Here is Stop Press news. Self-Government has been granted to Punjab as a reward for Sir Sikander Hayat's war services. If you don't believe it, read the following report from London:—

At question time in the House of Commons Mr. Amery circulated a list of the number of volunteers from each Indian province.

Sir Alfred Knox asked: Don't these figures show the outstanding loyalty and patriotism of the inhabitants of the Punjab?

Mr. Amery said that they do show a remarkable willingness of the population of the Punjab to come forward and serve the Throne.

Asked if that was not a good reason to give them self-Government, Mr. Amery replied: "Punjab has self-government."

—Reuter.

Now who dare accuse Mr. Amery of lacking in originality and imagination?

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Says Dr. P. Varadarajulu Naidu, General Secretary of the Hindu Mahasabha, in the course of a statement:—

"That the Congress would not co-operate with the Government so long as the Congress demand remained unconceded, is not wholly correct. I will be able to explain this in full only after a week."

We are afraid it will take the Doctor much more than a week to explain this assertion.

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Bucharest must be experiencing the blackest black-out in the world, as even smoking in the streets has been forbidden.

May one presume that shining bald heads are also under a ban?

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The Secretary of Mr. M. N. Roy's National Democratc Union Conference writes:—

"Efforts are being made to secure the co-operation of the Democratic Swaraj Party, the Liberal Party, the Independent Labour Party, Hindu Mahasabha, and other organisations."

We protest against the discrimination shown against the Muslim League, the Aman Sabha, etc. Why have no efforts been made to secure their co-operation?

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Shortage of natural wool is reported from Germany.

There is not enough sheeps' clothing for all the wolves, it seems.

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Germans are reported to be manufacturing "ersatz" coffee.

The wonder, however, is how it is finding its way to some restaurants in Bombay.

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS.

(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleagues.)

(1) Mr. M. N. Roy has sent an appeal to his former Comrade, Stalin, to repudiate the pact with Germany.

(2) In reply, Stalin has irrelevantly remarked that the comintern is still waiting for Roy's report on the situation in China.

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"Mother," said little Mabel, "they are going to teach us domestic silence at school now."

"Don't you mean domestic science?" inquired her mother.

Then father interrupted. "There is a bare hope our little girl means what she is saying."

UNPREPARED INDIA, A LIABILITY 'ON EMPIRE'

INDIAN COMMERCE CHAMBER PRESIDENT'S PLEA FOR EXPANSION OF INDUSTRIES AND TRADE

MUST REST IN INDIAN HANDS

Control Of Industries In Eastern Group's Work

CALCUTTA, Feb. 21.

Mr. N. L. Puri in the course of his presidential address at the Fifteenth Annual General Meeting of the Indian Chamber of Commerce held this afternoon said:—

"The imperative necessity of organising supplies from India during the present war, added Mr. Puri, has made it possible for the Government to realise, that there is nothing that India cannot produce. The Supply Department of the Government of India to-day boasts that whereas prior to the war India could hardly supply half the number of the much advertised 40,000 items of supplies required by the army, there is not a single one to-day the supply of which cannot be organised from India."

Referring to the Eastern Group Conference held in October last the speaker observed: "It is generally apprehended, and not without reason, that as a result of the deliberations at this conference and in the name of co-ordination of effort and division of labour India may be deprived of the opportunity of being assisted by Government orders in developing such industries as have been established in other parts of the Commonwealth, e.g., Canada, Australia, etc. I would like to take this opportunity to warn Government against being a party to any arrangement or programme which might compromise or sacrifice the economic interests of India on the plea of co-ordination of war efforts. I should like to emphasise that in building up India's industries and utilising India's resources, Government should see that the control and management of such enterprise rests entirely in the hands of Indian nationals."—United Press

CALCUTTA, Feb. 21.

"Whether it is the problem of the disposal of the accumulated raw produce of India, or the problem of organising war supplies or the scarcity of shipping space, everything points to the necessity of increased efforts to industrialise the country", declared Mr. N. L. Puri, President of the Indian Chamber of Commerce, Calcutta while presiding this afternoon at the Annual General Meeting of the Chamber.

LIABILITY ON EMPIRE

Mr. Puri said more than 20 years ago, the industrial commission reported on the possibilities of industrialisation, but with no effect on the policy of the Government of India. The result was that the outbreak of the present war found India in a condition of unpreparedness not only to defend herself but also to render any effective help to Great Britain in her hour of trial. Such an India was surely not an asset but, if, anything, only a liability on the Empire.

Mr. Puri stated that on the basis of the orders placed by the Supply Department, which came to more than Rs. 1½ crores per day, the Government could have greatly assisted in promoting the establishment, development and expansion of Indian industries and trade. It was indeed an opportunity which the Government could and should utilise to the lasting benefit of the country.

APPEAL TO VICEROY

In conclusion, Mr. Puri referred to the "unfortunate political deadlock" which was "most prejudicial to the political, economic and industrial advancement of the country", and pleaded for His Excellency the Viceroy taking initiative once again and to arrive at some settlement with the Congress and other political parties concerned.—A. P.

NAZI BASE IN SICILY RAIDED: TEPELINI POUNDED

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aircraft is missing, but the pilot is safe.

Nazi Propaganda

Reports that 200,000 British troops are on their way to Greece and that British troops have actually landed at the Mediterranean island of Lemnos find not the slightest confirmation in London. Authoritative quarters declare that the Germans are assiduously circulating rumours from the Balkans with the object of testing British reaction and thus divining British intentions. In connection with the latest rumours it will be recalled that the Germans not long ago started a report from Belgrade that British troops had landed at Agosta halfway up the Adriatic.

Juba Crossed Again

The River Juba in Italian Somaliland has again been successfully forced by British forces north of the original crossing. This is announced in a British Headquarters 'communique' in Cairo which adds that operations from both these bridgeheads are developing satisfactorily.

On the Eritrean Front, 47 Italian Officers, including one Brigade Commander, 650 other Italian ranks and 5,576 colonial troops have been captured between January 20 and February 20. In addition many prisoners have been taken in the Blue Nile, Upper Nile and Gojjam area.

107 medium Italian tanks were captured or destroyed in the recent battle south of Benghazi. The check on other war material taken over this extensive battle area continues.

Road Clear

The Italian capitulation at Mega marks the failure of Italian white troops in their first encounter in this area, says an East African correspondent. It cuts off Moyale from Yavello and threatens to outflank Moyale. The victories at Mega and Jubaland are important owing to the approach of rains due in the middle of March.

Had the Italians held the frontier north-east of Rudolf and Kismayu, the invasion of Abyssinia would have been indefinitely delayed by the impossibility of transport, but Mega puts the South Africans astride of a first class Road and Kismayu opens a short 320 mile sea route from Mombasa and also a metalled Road.

Inside Abyssinia

Reuter's Special Correspondent on the Abyssinian-Eritrea frontier writes from Khartoum:—

"The new Abyssinian regular troops led by South African officers received their blooding when they went into action for the first time against the Italian fortified position at Ganghila.

The Italian Commander in the Gojjam area, Colonel Terelli, had boasted that he would stamp out the patriot revolt and exterminate the British Mission. Instead he has found the conflagration there beyond his control and he has been forced to fall back in the face of the threatened attack.

Half the Italian garrison had already been evacuated when a force consisting of Ethiopian regulars with patriot irregulars and a Sudanese Frontier Battalion commenced operations.

Previously Camel trains had brought to the foot of the Gojjam escarpment loads of guns, ammunition and stores which were then transferred to mules and so carried to the mountain top. Prior to the commencement of the ground operations the R. A. F. bombed the Italian Camp destroying barbed wire and other fortifications enabling the Ethiopians to penetrate quickly to their objectives.

Just before the regulars moved up to their allotted positions, the Emperor witnessed a ceremonial parade at which N.C.O.'s and troops took the oath of allegiance. Thereafter the Emperor presented the troops with the colours and delivered an address declaring that if they carried the colours to victory they would remain as a symbol of new independence.

NO CHANGE IN TURKEY'S POLICY

LONDON, Feb. 20.

Turkey has made the Anglo-Turkish alliance her "national and permanent policy," declared the Turkish newspaper "Aksham," according to the Ankara wireless.

The paper, commenting on the Turco-Bulgarian declaration, added: "If foreign circles have thought it might be possible for the Turks to act in a manner contrary to the stipulations of the alliance with Britain, they are greatly mistaken."—Reuter.

A.-I. AYURVEDIC CONFERENCE.

The next annual session of the All-India Ayurvedic Conference will be held in Lucknow during the Easter Holidays from April 12 to 14.

"PUNJAB HAS SELF-GOVT."

Amery's Reply To Plea In Commons

LONDON, Feb. 20.

At question time in the House of Commons Mr. Amery circulated a list of the number of volunteers from each Indian province upto the end of last September.

Sir Alfred Knox asked: Don't these figures show the outstanding loyalty and patriotism of the inhabitants of the Punjab?

Mr. Amery said that they do show a remarkable willingness of the population of the Punjab to come forward and serve the Throne.

Asked if that was not a good reason to give them self-Government, Mr. Amery replied: Punjab has self-Government.—Reuter.

U. S. WAR PRODUCTION

Two Big Labour Movements Assure Co-operation

LISBON, Feb. 21.

"American production added to ours will undoubtedly turn the scale in the result of the war", said Sir Walter Citrine, General Secretary of the Trades Union Congress, on his arrival here today by clipper after his tour of the United States and Canada.

He stated, however, that American production to aid Britain's war effort could not be in full swing until September next.

For this, he added, both the big labour movements—the American Federation of Labour and the Congress of Industrial Organisations—had promised the closest co-operation.—Reuter.

Harry Hopkin's New Appointment

Mr. Harry Hopkins has been appointed a member of the new Nine-Man Production Planning Board to advise the Defence Commission Office of Production Management on industrial planning.—Reuter.

BRITISH ARMED VESSEL SUNK

LONDON, Feb. 20.

"Crispin" an armed auxiliary vessel of the Royal Navy has been sunk, announces the Admiralty.

The next of kin of the casualties have been advised.

The "Crispin" was a vessel of 5,051 tons built in 1935. In peacetime she was one of the Booth Line carrying both passengers and cargo.

U. S. GIANT BOMBER FOR BRITAIN?

The following cable has been received from London:—

The world's largest bomber troop-carrier—capable of taking 125 fully-equipped soldiers 7,500 miles without refuelling—will shortly be in production in the United States and may, therefore, be available for Britain, writes the "Daily Herald" on February 17.

This is a monster B-19 Douglas bomber. It has a wing span of 212 feet and an overall length of 122 feet weighing eighty tons fully loaded. It carries eighteen tons of bombs and ten tons of armaments fuel, stores, etc. Its full capacity is 11,000 gallons carried in the wing tips and fuselage.

It has a disclosed speed of 200 to 250 miles an hour. It is stated that its armaments are such as to enable it to fight off attacks from several fighters at once without outside assistance.—A. P.

Huq Cancels Trip To Delhi

CALCUTTA, Feb. 21.

Mr. Fazlul Huq, Chief Minister, who was to have left for Delhi in connection with the meetings of the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League, has cancelled his programme.—United Press.

No-Confidence Motions In Sind Ministry

"Serious Breach Of Privileges Of House": Adjournment Motion For Opening Day

KARACHI, Feb. 21.

Two no-confidence motions, one against the Ministry and another against the Premier, Mr. Bundenali, are understood to have been given notice of to-day by Pir Elahi Bux, an ex-Minister.

ECHO OF GOVERNOR'S DURBAR

An adjournment motion for the opening day of the Budget Session in connection with the "serious breach of privileges of the Honourable House on the occasion of His Excellency's Durbar at Hyderabad on Feb. 10, at which the Speaker of the House was seated behind officers of lower rank and precedence contrary to the warrant of precedence has been admitted by the Speaker Miran Mohd. Shah.—A. P.

NAZIFICATION OF HOLLAND FAILS

LONDON, Feb. 21.

Hitler's plan for the Nazification of the Netherlands is making no headway, according to "Vrij Nederland", the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

It publishes a message stating that Van Mussert "the Fuehrer" of the Dutch Nazi organisation has admitted that only one per cent., of Holland's population of eight and half millions are members of his body.

The message adds that the Germans are conscious of the smallness of the support which presumably explains why Van Mussert's offer "to fight at the side of Hitler" has been rejected.—Reuter.

DANUBE TOWN BESIEGED BY ICE

Attempt To Control Floods: Damage To Crops

BUDAPEST, Feb. 21.

The Danube floods are now being mastered by the authorities, but at Kalacsa on the left bank of the Danube the situation is still grave, the peril caused by the piling up of icebergs causing much anxiety.

The town is surrounded by ice and water on three sides. Aerial bombardment of the iceblock is said to have been successful.

The floods have caused shortages of agricultural products which are expected to become worse. Further rationing is anticipated.—Reuter.

16 GERMAN POLICE OFFICERS DROWNED

BERLIN, Feb. 21.

Sixteen German police officers were drowned when a German lorry in the Czech protectorate near Zlin (Moravia) fell into a river, says a Prague despatch to the German Official News Agency. The German version of the incident says that it was due to the failure of the breaks.—Reuter.

Andhra University Student To Be Detained

VIZAGAPATAM, Feb. 20

Mr. C. Sitaramayya, student of the final year honours class in the Andhra University College of Arts, Vizagapatam was arrested on Monday night under the Defence of India Rules and sent to Vellore for detention.

Mr. Sitaramayya was the president of the Vizagapatam Students' Organisation.—A. P.

Middle East Situation To Be Fully Reviewed

Great Importance Attached To Eden And Dill's Visit To Egypt

LONDON, Feb. 21.

It is learned in London that Mr. Eden and Sir John Dill left Britain by air several days ago. It is pointed out that this is Mr. Eden's third visit to Egypt since the outbreak of the war.

He went there a year ago to welcome the first Australian contingent. Last November he flew to Egypt again to discuss matters with Gen. Wavell and inspect personally the operations in North and East Africa

Commenting on the arrival of Mr. Eden and Sir John Dill, the spokesman of the British Embassy at Cairo told "Reuter", "The time is clearly ripe for a full review of the political and military situation in the Middle East and Africa as the outcome of the brilliant victory of the Army of the Nile.

The War Cabinet has shown the importance attaching to this review by sending the Foreign Secretary as their representative assisted by the Cabinet's Chief Military Adviser.

There is no doubt that there will be full consultations with the military leaders in the Middle East and other authorities. It will clearly be very useful to the War Cabinet that one of their members has first-hand information about this theatre of war.

In view of Mr. Eden's first visit to the Middle East when he was War Minister and his knowledge of the problems and personalities in this part of the world his selection for the task was very natural".—Reuter.

DEFENCE OF SINGAPORE

Mr. Menzies On Australia's "Very Specific Responsibility"

LONDON, Feb. 21.

"We have accepted a very specific responsibility for the defence of Singapore", declared Mr. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister in an interview with Reuter, following his arrival in London for discussions with the British Government.

Mr. Menzies continued, "I wish to make it clear that we pursue no policy of aggression in relation to our local defence forces prudent policy of preparing to defend ourselves as we unquestionably shall in all areas where there are elements of danger in 1941 which did not exist in 1914. That statement is in no way provocative. We are hoping as we are believing that peace will be kept but nobody must think that, remote as we are, we are unwilling or incapable of defending ourselves".

JOINT ENTERPRISE

BRISBANE: Australian local defences had been "immensely" strengthened in the past six months, said Mr. Fadden, Acting Premier, here to-day (Friday). Every department reported progress and if the facts were known publicly "they would hearten everyone".

JAPAN NOT OUR ALLY?

Mr. Menzies declared that Australia had one clear ambition namely that the Pacific should remain at peace. But Mr. Menzies emphasised that it should not be forgotten that in this war Japan was not our Ally as she had some kind of alliance with the Axis powers. One thing absolutely clear was that Australia had no aggressive intentions whatever.

Mr. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, disclosed that the number of local defence forces now training in Australia is greater than at any time in her history.

Mr. Menzies indicated that he might visit the United States in future.—Reuter.

HEAVY SENTENCES ON CZECH EX-MINISTERS

Heavy Terms Awarded For Alleged Military Treason: Trial Held 'In Camera'

BERLIN, Feb. 21.

Doctor Milan Hodza, ex-Premier of Czechoslovakia, is among the leaders of the former Czechoslovak Republic who were sentenced to heavy terms of imprisonment at Bratislava on Thursday, says a despatch to the Official German News Agency.

Eighteen years penal servitude was the sentence on Dr. Hodza who along with the other defendants, was charged with criminal activity against the existence of the Slovak State and military treason while Doctor Stefan Ososky, former Czechoslovak Minister in Paris, was given penal servitude for life, Doctor Paslinyi-Toth, former Editor of "Narodnie Noviny", 15 years and Peter Prisavok, former Chief of the Slovak Press Bureau, eleven years. All the accused are now living abroad. The trial was held 'in camera'.—Reuter.

Harijan Sevak Sangh

CALCUTTA, Feb. 21.

The Eighth Annual Meeting of the Central Board of the Harijan Sevak Sangh will be held at the Harijan Colony in Delhi on March 8, 9 and 10.—A. P.

BERHAMPORE, Feb. 21.—Mr. Pannalal Banerjee, a Guard of the E. B. Railway, dashed himself against a running train last night near Berhampore station and subsequently died in hospital.—United Press.

"Axis Powers Will Continue War"

Mediation Impossible, Says Rome: London Reads Too Much Into Offer, Says Berlin

LONDON, Feb. 21.

Berlin professed to be incredulous about the Japanese official spokesman's declaration that "Japan is ready to "mediate if invited" in a statement issued tonight by the official German news agency.

The statement says: "The impression prevails in German political circles on the ground of reports received, particularly from Japan, that Japan merely took the opportunity of the Foreign Press Conference in Tokyo to reaffirm her peaceful intentions.

Obviously London has read into the declaration of Mr. Ishii more than was indicated by Japan. Berlin political circles know nothing of the note which Tokyo is supposed to have sent to London Japan's endeavour to emphasise again her peaceful intentions cannot be described as a formal peace offer."

No Possibility Of Japan's Mediation, Replies Rome

Italy's reply to the Japanese offer of mediation is that the Axis powers are determined to continue the war until final victory.

"Rome circles", says the Stefani Agency, "affirm that it is understood that the Japanese spokesman's words are intended to emphasise Japan's desire for peace and do not mean that there is any possibility of mediation between the European belligerents.

It categorically declared that the Axis powers remain in the position several times stated, that is, they are firmly determined to continue the war until final victory".

Japan Stands For World Peace

Questioned regarding Japan's mediation offer, Mr. Yakichiro Suma, the new Japanese Minister in Spain, said that Japan's policy, which was greatly misunderstood, was peace throughout the world.

The Minister who was receiving journalists after presenting credentials to Gen. Franco, added that the mediation offer was made in accordance with that policy. The German-Italian-Japanese Agreement was made by Japan with peaceful and not warlike intentions.

Japan's so-called drive to the south was also misunderstood, her only intention being peaceful commercial penetration.

In conclusion Mr. Suma expressed hope of increasing the trade between Spain and Japan

Mr. Suma was formerly head of the Press department in the Japanese Foreign Office.—Reuter

"JAPAN EXPECTS NO WARNING FROM BRITAIN"

TOKYO, Feb. 21.

When the Foreign Office Spokesman, Mr. Ishii was asked at a Press Conference this morning (Friday) for comment on the assertion by American Congressmen that the United States would attack Japan if the latter attacked Singapore, he turned the tables on his questioner by asking if anyone could suppose that the Japanese would attack Singapore.

He was also queried about the statement that the British Admiralty had warned Japan that the United States would act if Singapore were attacked.

To this Mr. Ishii replied that Japan expects no warning from the British Admiralty nor should Japan be warned by it.

Asked if the Pacific crisis had subsided, Mr. Ishii replied that his previous statement emphasising the groundlessness of the rumour of tension in the East Asiatic situation had had some effect. He added that his statement had caused a far stronger reaction than he had expected.—Reuter's Special.

TREATMENT OF POLITICALS

Madras Launches Drive Against Classification

MADRAS, Feb. 21.

A resolution urging immediate abolition of the classification in jails of prisoners convicted for political offences and placing them in one uniform class and expressing the opinion that "the present treatment of detenus in jails required radical revision" and that the restrictions to be placed on them should be no more than what was absolutely necessary to restrict their movements was passed at a public meeting held under the auspices of the Madras Mahajana Sabha at Gokhale Hall this evening. Mr. Basheer Ahmed Saeed presided.

The meeting authorised the Secretary of the Mahajana Sabha to take steps for constituting a Standing Committee to carry on countrywide agitation regarding the treatment of political prisoners and also to arrange for deputation to wait on the Government for urging on them the necessity of giving effect to the above resolutions.—A. P.

Security Prisoners & Examinations

CALCUTTA, Feb. 21.

The Calcutta University has been informed that Government orders laying down conditions under which the security prisoners may be permitted to appear for the University examinations have been issued by the Superintendents of Jails.—United Press.

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

Gentleman from ——— Road, while visiting a local bookshop, obviously got a little mixed up when he asked for a copy of "Gond With the Wind" by Verrier Elwin.

It reminds me of the other book he once read: "The Three Mosquitoes" by Alexander Dumasia.

The Book Society's choice for February is "The Speeches of Winston Churchill". In a publisher's blurb on the book Mr. Churchill is very admirably described as: "England's Supreme War Leader, the most English of Englishmen; a commoner of curious contrasts." This book is not to be confused with "Under Your Tin Hat."

Journalistic definition of "Frustration": "A war correspondent asked to write a leader on a peace move."

Modern definition of "Statesman": "The old 'Englishman' with a cranks' corner." (Marked copy for Mr. Arthur Moore.)

After which I cannot help saying that it is better to be a crank in a crazy world than a sane man in an unequal Empire. (Two marked copies for Mr. Arthur Moore.)

The Bishop of Fulham addressing the congregation at the traditional service on New Year's Day in the ruins of St. Anne and St. Agnes, almost demolished by the Nazi "Fire-Blitz" on London.

INDIA'S PLACE IN "NEW ORDER"

Can Be Achieved Through Constructive Programme

This war means the end of the old world. A new world order will emerge from the present chaos. The time has arrived when Indians should be prepared to sacrifice everything so as to ensure her proper place in the "New Order", said Sjt. Salebhai Abdul Kadar presiding over a public meeting held under the auspices of the B.P.C.C. at Ghoga Street on Thursday night.

Mr. Salebhai said that the British Government was unwilling to part with power even when Britain was facing a crisis.

India at present was passing through a transition period. The communal differences and the talk about Hindu Raj and Pakistan were all due to lack of freedom and were bound to disappear the moment India got her freedom.

The main problem in India, he said was that of properly feeding and housing the teeming millions of India. Religion had nothing to do with it. The sooner they kept off religion from the political platform the better it was in the interest of India as a whole. That was the best way of bringing about a new era in this country.

Finally he exhorted the people to follow the constructive programme.

Mr. F. M. Pinto and Mr. Gajendranath Sharma also addressed the meeting.

BALKAN SITUATION ANALYSED

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vade Bulgaria, the Turks have allowed this strategic fact to be put in black and white.

The Russians are realists also, and the "escape" clause in our pact with Turkey, whereby the Turks are not compelled to take any action which might bring them into conflict with Moscow, must be allowed its importance at a time when Germany is pressing Stalin to connive at an invasion of Bulgaria.

Turkey still remains, as Britain's guardian of the Straits. And here is the opinion "from the highest possible quarter" last night of Turkey's adherence to her pledged word: "We have always relied, and we always will rely, on Turkey not allowing any agreement that she may make to come into conflict with her solemn obligations to Britain".

Nazi Economic Front

Raw Materials Talks With French Industrialists: Danzig And Trade

LONDON, Feb. 21

German and French industrial leaders are meeting in Paris today according to reports from Vichy for the purpose of discussing "collaboration in the matter of raw materials."

The conversations which started yesterday are being conducted on the German side by representatives of the Reich Office for Raw Materials and by representative distributors.

It is expected that a number of committees will be appointed for each industry, in particular, coal, metals, textiles and paper.

Meanwhile no official statement has been made in Vichy about the object of Admiral Darlan's latest visit to Paris from where he returned yesterday.

Economic conversations between Nazi representatives of Danzig and the German Governor-General of Poland have just been instituted in Warsaw, according to information received in Polish circles in London.

The anti-Polish Nazi leader, Herr Foerster and Herr Ruth, formerly a Danzig Senator, arrived in Warsaw for this purpose. The object is re-establishment of economic relations between Danzig and the German controlled Polish territory.

The fact that the talks have been instituted totally disposes of the German pretension that Danzig could live independently of Poland.

It is understood that the scope of the present talks is wide; renewal of commercial, financial and trade contacts between the former Free City and Poland will be discussed and in addition attempts will be made to re-establish in Danzig branches of Polish firms and business undertakings all of which are now controlled by Germany.

It is recalled that before 1914 Danzig had no economic importance for Germany and served only as a submarine base in Baltic. Immediately a direct link between Danzig and Poland was established after 1918 the Free City's trade increased by leaps and bounds.

The institution of the present talks, therefore, indicates the likelihood that German attempts to obliterate Poland are also mortally injuring Danzig.—Reuter.

Medal For Saving Officer's Life

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21

Sapper Shankar H. Bhosle, 22nd Field Company, Royal Bombay Sappers and Miners, has been awarded the Medal of the Military Division of the Order of the British Empire for meritorious service in rescuing Lieut. L. M. H. Wadia from drowning in the Chitral River on October 13, says a Communique.—A. P.

In Burma:

ASSEMBLY SPEAKER RESIGNS

Resents "Administrative Control Of His Independent Personality"

RANGOON, Feb. 21

A dramatic announcement, submitting his resignation of Speakership, was made today in the House of representatives by the Hon. U. Chit Hlaing.

In a written statement which he read out to the House the Speaker said that he had been advised of "favourable prospects" should he decide on filing an appeal to the Privy Council against the recent judgments of the Rangoon High Court setting aside his decisions. He added that His Excellency the Governor of Burma on the advice of the Ministry had declined to defray his legal expenses before the High Court, after the first case questioning the validity of his decision.

U. Chit Hlaing maintained that the speaker should be honoured as an independent personality but "the Speaker is now under the administrative control of Government" and the only course open to him was to resign.—A. P.

Parliamentary Secretary Resigns

RANGOON, Feb. 21

The Speaker's resignation was followed by the resignation of U. Hla, Parliamentary Secretary to the Judicial Minister who said that they had disapproved Ministry's action and felt that he had no other alternative but to resign. —A. P.

Rumania Is Enemy Territory

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The Central Government have declared Rumania enemy territory, says a notification in a Gazette extraordinary.—A.P.

"DETERIORATION OF CONGRESS"

Nariman On "Impossibility Of Achieving Independence"

"With the latest clarification of Gandhian, i.e., Congress position, the Indian political situation assumes an entirely different aspect; the problem is no more transitory such as attitude towards War or interim Government during its pendency. The question is, whether India should have cent per cent non-violence or complete independence", says Mr. K. F. Nariman in the course of a press statement.

"Gandhiji has, by progressive steps, driven his followers and the Congress, to the only logical and inevitable choice—political and economic independence or non-violence. Obviously under present conditions, political independence cannot be achieved or maintained, without the use of violence in external and even in internal affairs; the result is, that Gandhiji would rather not strive for that independence, at the cost and sacrifice of his cherished creed of non-violence" says Mr. Nariman.

Continuing he says:—

"His goal and ambition is not to develop the National Congress into a full fledged political institution —a nucleus, for either Constituent Assembly or future national government, but according to him "the Congress will be satisfied with the fullest freedom to grow in non-violence."

This frank confession fully justifies the criticism levelled by the present writer and others years ago that Congress was deteriorating under Gandhian leadership, from a political organisation into a 'Laboratory' for ethical and spiritual experiments for Gandhian creed of non-violence and such other fads. Patriotic Satyagrahis are no more soldiers of 'Swaraj' but serve the purpose of mere living exhibits for test-trials in the said laboratory.

Howsoever painful, the tragic alternative is inevitable, prospect of Hobson's choice is before them; as it is obvious, that in view of this latest view on strict adherence to non-violence, in all circumstances and at all costs, it is impossible to achieve or maintain political independence for India. The national Congress must, therefore, either give up the present Gandhian leadership or bid good-bye to its hitherto long cherished political goal of complete independence.

The present generation, being obsessed and blinded, may worship him but the historian will never forgive him and his followers for allowing such a God-sent opportunity for India's progress and development to escape without deriving the fullest benefit from the present situation.

No Hitch In Indo-Burma Trade Talks

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The delegates of the Burma and India to the Indo-Burma trade negotiations held a meeting here this morning.

It is authoritatively stated that the negotiations are proceeding normally, and that there is no basis for reports suggesting serious difficulties.—A. P.

BURMA DELEGATES FOR RANGOON

Promise To Consider Govt. Of India's Suggestions

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The Burma Delegation left for Rangoon this evening.

The Delegations of the Government of India and the Government of Burma met at a Conference to-day when it is understood, the former put concrete proposals regarding export and import trade with Burma before the latter.

The Burmese Delegates promised to consider the Government of India's suggestions most carefully and take the earliest opportunity during their week-end visit to Burma to obtain the views of their Premier. U Ba Thun, Leader and Mr. Tin Tut, one of the delegates left Delhi by the Howrah Express this evening and were seen off by Sir A. Ramaswami Mudaliar, Commerce Member, Mr. N. R. Pillai, Additional Secretary, Commerce Department, and Dr. Gregory, Economic Adviser to the Government of India.

It is expected that they will return to Delhi in the second week of March when discussions will be resumed and a satisfactory agreement is hoped to be reached.—A. P

TAX ON PROPERTY 'UNJUST'

Mr. Mitha's Plea For Justice And Fair Play

Mr. Mahomed Suleman Cassum Mitha in a Statement said:—

The Government of Bombay have a splendid opportunity, to prove their sincerity for fairness and justice, by repealing the Property Tax altogether, because it is an unjust Tax, on one Class of investors, and find out other means to finance the part prohibition Policy.

Reduction or part-relief will not satisfy Property Owners, as they oppose Property Tax on principle. Why, should one class of investors be penalized and others allowed to go scot free? Property Owners do not grudge to pay their share of taxes, if it is divided equally on all classes of investment.

If this is not done, then what is the difference between Congress and present Government?

CONGRESSMEN AND BENGAL LEGISLATURE

Leaders Called To Allahabad For Discussions

CALCUTTA, Feb. 21.

In response to a telegram received from Babu Rajendra Prasad to-day, Mr. Kiran Sankar Roy, Leader of the Bengal Congress Parliamentary Party, Mr. J. C. Gupta, Mr. Kamini Kumar Dutt, Mr. Srischandra Chakraborty, and Mr. Manindra Bhusan Singh are reaching Allahabad on February 28 to discuss with Gandhiji and Rajen Babu the question of Congress members withdrawing from the Bengal Legislature.—United Press.

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MUTT AND JEFF—And the Frog Didn't Even Croak About Being Croaked — By BUD FISHER

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W. I. CHAMPIONSHIPS

Bekkevold Gives Sparkling Display

Bobjee And Miss Haji Annex Mixed Double Title: Pandit And Limaye Disappoint

The Western India Tennis Championship came to a close on Friday before a very large attendance.

The Singles Championship went to F. Bekkevold. The 1939 and 1940 title holder, E. V. Bobb was not competing, though he was a keen spectator in the stands on Friday.

Bekkevold got another title, when he, with J. E. Tew, annexed the Doubles affair.

Miss K. Haji at best had the satisfaction of seeing her name on the list of champion, for, she, in association with M. V. Bobjee were the new mixed Doubles champions.

Miss Leela Row added to her list of laurels by taking the Ladies' Singles, then went on to capture the Ladies' Doubles along with Miss Woodbridge.

E. Samukawa repeated his 1940 triumph by winning the Western India Plate. He had to fight all the way against a dour opponent K. K. Dastur.

Again this year success crowned the efforts of those responsible for staging the Championships. The entry was a good one, though certain brass hats of the tennis world, at present in hot water, were missing. To add to the interest of the Championships some of the titles changed hands, which is all to the good. An additional future this year has been the entry of new and previous untried players. That most of them did not get very far does not in the least detract from the pleasure caused by their entry, and "The Bombay Chronicle" wish them better luck next year.

Two players we would mention who have come to the front rank rapidly during the past few years. These are R. N. Pandit and N. V. Limaye. R. N. Pandit were among the last eight in the Men's Singles where he succumbed to C. W. Barker, (2-6, 6-1, 6-1) and N. V. Limaye fell a victim to F. Bekkevold (4-6, 6-4, 6-3). Barker and Bekkevold clashed in the finals, Bekkevold prevailing. Pandit and Limaye were, however, rewarded by their climb to the final of the Men's Doubles. To reach this stage they fought a strenuous way. In the Doubles Final on Thursday they came up against Tew and Bekkevold. But here, they were a disappointment. Pandit appeared to be shorn of his all cleverness and was slow, terribly slow, while Limaye bereft of the great co-operation of his partner, was unable to play a lone game against such stalwarts as Tew and Bekkevold. The latter on Thursday was positively brilliant, he could do nothing wrong. His interceptions were uncanny and his cross court work in the Doubles' match superb. While Tew with his service rose to great height several service aces doing much in taking him and his partner on to victory. Tew's work at the net was devastating.

Previous to this encounter Bekkevold earned the Singles title against C. W. Barker. He beat him in straight sets. Barker played as well as he could. His was his usual sedate game, but, it must be repeated again that, Bekkevold, on Friday was playing at the peak of his form, and he was just superior in all departments.

S. A. Azim and Miss L. Woodbridge went down tamely to M. V. Bobjee and Miss K. Haji. Miss Woodbridge was definitely off colour and did not help Azim much not that there were much to enthuse over in the latter's game. Bobjee was a host in himself. His service, volleying smashing and court-craft in general was brilliant. Miss K. Haji also stood her ground, and if Azim thought that, he was going to gain much by playing Miss Haji, as far as possible, he was in error, for, this young player returned most of what he did send over, beside. Bobjee was an able protector.

The following were the results:—

MEN'S SINGLES.

F. Bekkevold beat C. W. Barker 7-5, 6-2.

MEN'S DOUBLES.

J. E. Tew and F. Bekkevold beat N. V. Limaye and R. N. Pandit 6-4, 6-1.

MIXED DOUBLES

M. V. Bobjee and Miss K. Haji beat S. N. Azim and Miss L. Woodbridge 6-4, 6-1.

WESTERN INDIA PLATE.

E. Samukawa beat K. K. Dastur 61-, 3-6, 10-8.

MAHALUXMI TRACK NOTES

Preparations For Hospital Day

The following few gallops were noted at Mahaluxmi by "Chronicle" Raci ng correspondent.

LOBBY IN THE BARN (Raffaele) beat FRESH KID (Riding Boy) in a 6 furlong run in 1min 20 4/5secs.

LOVEABLE (Bond) and DON'T SHOOT (Bunnetta) did 6 furlongs in 1min. 20secs. Both are good.

FURORE (Raffaele) and RIGHT BET (R. Boy) travelled fast over 6 furlongs on the race grass. Both well.

LOVE CALL (Sibbritt) and DELPHI (Marrable) over a mile pace. Latter fast getting fit.

SIT FAST (Evans) and AMERICAN BEAUTY did a smart 4 furlongs in outer grass.

DOUBLE OAK (Evans) and EAGER TIT (Majid Khan) ran over 6 furlongs. Former excellent.

NIGHT REVELLER (Jadhav) easy run over 6 furlongs.

SALMON BAR (Riding Boy) and MORMON (Sibbritt), latter better in a 7 furlong spin.

PEARL QUEEN (Mohd. Khan) and PRINCESS MUMTAZ, former better in 5 furlong dash in 1min 8secs.

TAP DANCE (R. Boy) and ZENITH (Roberts) travelled smartly over 7 furlongs in 1min. 36secs.

ROSE APPLE (Brace) held FOOT SLOGGER (R. Boy) over 6 furlongs. Latter fast improving.

SNAPPER (Meekings) CAN YOU (Davison) moved attractively over 6 furlongs in 1min. 24secs. Latter noteworthy.

MUWAFFAQ AL ILAH (Sibbritt) vastly superior to KANNAN BEG (Thompson). Worth backing on Hospital Day.

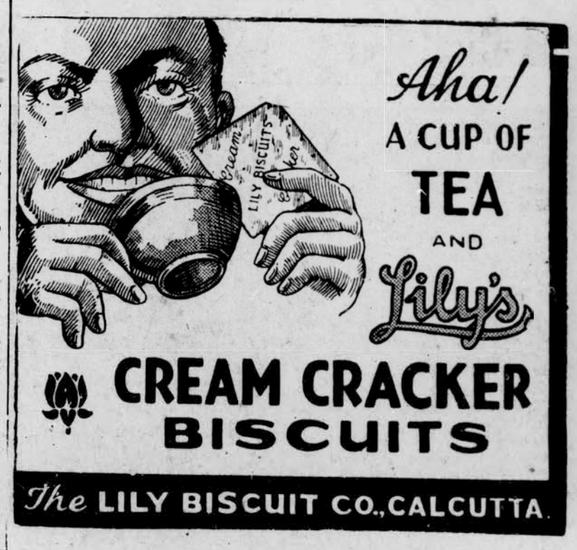
SNOW WAY (Rashid) and TAJ MAHAL (Davison) fair pace over 6 furlongs. Latter better.

FUN OF THE FAYRE (Sim and BASTION (R. Boy). Both well.

RETORT (Eude) and LAMBETH WALK (N. Dawood) easy mile in 1min. 52secs.

KING FARUQ (Davison) gave a rousing gallop over a mile 1min. 56secs.

GOLD DEPOSIT (Evans) was well in hand over 7 furlongs in 1min. 42secs.



NEED OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

First Have Minimum Standard, Says J. C. Maitra

In connection with the Health and Physical Education Week which has been organised bye the students of the Government Training Institute for Physical Education at Kandivli, Mr. J. C. Maitra, of the "Bombay Chronicle", delivered an interesting lecture on Thursday. Swami Kuvalayanand, Chairman of the Government Physical Education Committee, was present.

At the outset, Mr. Maitra expressed the gratefulness of the public to the Congress Ministry for establishing this unique institution. He emphasised the great need of trained physical instructors without whose guidance it was impossible for the students to attain perfection. It was really very unfortunate that the Congress Ministry had to resign on the war issue and leave the good work initiated by them incomplete. He hoped that they would return to office ere long and carry out their plans of nation-building activities.

Mr. Maitra then referred to the deplorable state of affairs in the country due to illiteracy and economic exploitation. There was very little assistance and sympathy available from the Government and the public on such vital matters as physical education of the people. Whatever is being done by them now is insignificant in comparison with the efforts of the leading countries of the West and Japan in the East. He referred to the crying need for more play and recreation grounds everywhere.

NEED OF MINIMUM STANDARD.

Then commenting on the disinclination of the Indian boys and girls to take to physical activities, Mr. Maitra supported the view of Sardar Prithvi Singh that a minimum standard of physical excellence should be fixed for all the students who sit for the Matriculation Examination. He also liked the idea of level tests in school and colleges and group competitions between institutions. But he was totally at variance with the suggestion that specialisations should be discouraged. "It is absolutely necessary," Mr. Maitra emphasised "for a subject country like India to strive her utmost to reach the top of the world in physical feats and different branches of sport and thus command the respect of the world."

Referring to discipline, Mr. Maitra laid special stress on the fact that without discipline no country or nation could be great. It was therefore, highly necessary that the sense of discipline should be inculcated among the students, so that when they grow up they would lead a disciplined life. "Sportsmanship was another factor which needed to be infused among all," he said.

Condemning communalism in strong terms, Mr Maitra hoped that they would make every effort to eschew it from their midst. "Let us try to forget our religion, caste and race in the sporting field he enjoined" and think of the human brotherhood which our Creator has ordained for us.

In conclusion, Mr Maitra said, "the future of our country lies in your hands as you are the moulders of the character and physique of the younger generation. I fervently hope that you will impart the training you have received at this Institute to your pupils to the best advantage of their country and themselves."

The President of the meeting thanked Mr. Maitra.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY'S RACES

By "ORR."

Three Cup events the Rajpipla Gold Cup, the C. N. Wadia Gold Cup and the Colaba Cup are the chief items of attraction in to-day's races. All the events are well represented and sport should be keen.

The following are the Selections for the day:

1st Race 2 P.M.
ALMAROOF 1.
FARAJ ALLAH 2.
MAJNUN ANWAH F.

2nd Race 2-30 P.M.
AFTALON 1.
SAUCE ANGLAISE 2.
LINGUAPHONE F.

3rd Race 3-0 P.M.
LAXMIDHAR 1.
PHILDERER 2.
KILCASH F.

4th Race 3-30 P.M.
ZENITH 1.
TOM TIT 2.
PRINCEP F.

5th Race 4 P.M.
PHILTRE 1.
BLAZING STAR 2.
AVON SONG F.

6th Race 4-30 P.M.
GAY TALKIE 1.
BLANDSTAR 2.
SHRIFT F.

7th Race 5 P.M.
HELLENIKOS 1.
PASSE PASSE II 2.
ONE I LOVE F.

8th Race 5-30 P.M.
GLOAMING 1.
MORADABAD 2.
CERTUS DIVITAE F.

9th Race 6 P.M.
HIKMAT PASHA 1.
CHIEF RULER 2.
ROYAL RIVAL F.

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WAR FUND BOXING

Sixteen Good Bouts Witnessed

The Boxing Tournament at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall on Friday night in aid of the Bombay War Girls Fund and the Royal Indian Navy General Purposes Fund was a success. His Excellency the Governor was an interested spectator of the night's proceedings.

Sixteen good bouts were staged and every fight went the full length, three rounds. The boxing was keen and there was plenty of enthusiasm throughout. The box-office receipts for the night were Rs. 2,300.

At the close His Excellency presented certificates to the winners.

JUNIOR CLASS "A": R. Hyams (5st. 3lbs.) (Nagpada Neighbourhood House) lost to G. Jaganath (5st. 7lbs.) (David Sassoon Industrial School).

JUNIOR CLASS "B." S. Motiram (Nagpada Neighbourhood House—6st. 5lbs.) lost to S. Premraj (David Sassoon Industrial School—6st. 2lbs.) on points.

Premraj had a powerful punch which his opponent avoided as much possible but, yet had to take punishment. Premraj won easily.

R. Gopal (Nagpada Neighbourhood House—7st. 13lbs.) lost to H. Roach (Sir D. M. Petit Gymnastic Institution) on points.

BANTAM WEIGHT: S. T. Carvalho (Nagpada Neighbourhood House) beat L. Gracious (Sir D. M. Petit Gymnastic Institution) on points.

A very good bout in which both men were well trained and fit. From the start they scaped and gave about as much they took, Carvalho earned the verdict by a narrow margin.

LIGHT WEIGHT: J. Rodd Lino (Nagpada Neighbourhood House) beat G. B. Kanga (Maharashtriya Mandal (Zoroastrian Physical Culture and tution) on points

Both men were averse to fighting they just spared in the first round Kanga winning on points. The bout warmed up after this and a slogging affair ensued in which Rodd-Lino got the decision through some real hard punching.

CATCH WEIGHT: Gurji Seon (Nagpada Neighbourhood House) beat Art App. J. Newland (M.T.E., R.I.N.) on points.

A fast bout Seon had a powerful left which broke through Newlands-guard. Newlands, however, was a tar and went for his opponent with determination, but could not get the better of a scraper who was equally game.

LIGHT WEIGHT: F. P. Pundole Zoroastrian Physical Culture and Health League) beat L/Cpl. J. Flynn (Welch Regiment) on points.

Pundole, the ex-Light Weight Champion had a stubborn opponent in Flynn who could take punches and deliver the goods in return. At the end of the second round it was hard to say who was leading. In the third round Pundole, however, larded several full value punches and took light.

MIDDLE WEIGHT: L. Pierce (Caltex Sports Club), lost Gns. D. W. McCoubrey (10th B.B.R.A., I.) on points. Pierce had no defence whatsoever and let McCoubrey score as he liked in the first round. Pierce did some scoring, in the next spell, but it was McCoubrey last round.

JUNIOR CLASS "B": M. Nissim (Nagpada Neighbourhood House—8st 9lbs.) beat S. Shiraji (Sir D. M. Petit Gymnastic Institution—8st.) on points.

Two youngsters, as hard as nails did not spare themselves. Nissim was the quicker lad and landed more of the punches in the multitude delivered and earned the verdict narrowly in a hard fought bout.

JUNIOR CLASS "B:" J. Joseph (Nagpada Neighbourhood House) lost to N. D. Billimoria (Bharda New High School) on points. Another hard hitting contest. Billimoria had the advantage of reach and he exploited this fully against a very game youngester who was not averse to real fighting at close quarter. Billimoria got a point's verdict.

FLY WEIGHT: G. Baboolal (Nagpada Neighbourhood House) beat Art. App. J. Rielly (M.T.E., R.I.N.) on points.

Baboolal, the Western India Fly-Weight Champion, was the better boxer and out pointed Rielly easily, scoring in each round off an opponent who kept moving, round the ring. Baboolal could have finished his opponent in the initial round.

CATCH WEIGHT: C. Michael (Sir D. M. Petit Gymnastic Institution) lost Art. App. C. J. Satur (M.T.E., R.I.N.) on points. Satur, had a tough opponent in Michael, who held on advantage each, which made up for Satur's knowledge of the game. Every moment of the three rounds was fought and fans saw a scrap that was certainly the best fight of the night. Satur worthily earned the verdict.

BANTAM WEIGHT: J. Menoshy (Nagpada Neighbourhood House) beat A. K. Arklie (Proctor Y.M.C.A.) on points.

Menashy, the Western India Title holder of this weight had the measure of Arklie in all three rounds. Arklie was floored in the last round, Menashy connected with a beauty to the point.

CATCH WEIGHT: T. A. Divecha (9st. 7lbs. Zoroastrian Physical Culture and Health League) beat G. F. Linnet (9st. 10lbs. 10th, B.B. R.A., A.P., I.) on points. Another hard hitting bout. The fight was carried on at close quarters and a lot of solid punching was indulged in. A narrow margin gave the verdict to Divecha.

CATCH WEIGHT: D. Sartedt (10 st. 9 lbs. Proctor Y.M.C.A.) lost to D. A. Shroff (10 st 3 lbs.—Zoroastrian Physical and Health League) on points.

In a moderate bout Shroff the better trained man got the verdict.

CATCH WEIGHT: L/Cpl. R. Williams (10 st. 9 lbs. Welch Regiment) L./Cpl. Knight (10 st. 7 lbs. Border Regiment).

This purely military affair fell below expectations. Williams was aggressive from the start and kept going till the close of the fight. Knight woke up in the last round, but, could not make the points he had lost to Williams in the earlier rounds.

LAHORE, Feb. 21: Dr Gopichand Bhargava having resigned the presidentship of the Punjab Branch of the All-India Harijan Sewak Sangh, Col. D. H Rai, retired Inspector-General of Hospitals has succeeded him.—A. P.

Hockey Championship

G. I. P. EARN EASY PROMOTION

The tie in the Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship on Friday was a one-sided affair the G. I. P. Railway (Headquarters) trouncing the Bombay City by six clear goals.

Three quick goals in five minutes about midway through the early half. The scorers here were Hakim 2 and Gaitley.

Resuming Tellis scooped in a brilliant goal Eight minutes later M. Bocarro was responsible for No. 5 The Railway closed their tally in the last minute of the game, Gaitley being the scorer

TO-DAY'S GAME.

B.P.H.A ground—4-15 p.m.; Bhimraj Sports Club v. Christ Church and Barnes; 5-15 p.m. Lusitanians "B" v. "Times of India" Sports Club.

"War & Culture"

"War and culture are antithetical to each other. War means regimentation of life and submission to orders and if culture is the result of men's own free soul to work out his own problem, culture cannot flourish in the atmosphere of war. Culture is like the wind that bloweth where it listeth" said Mr. M. C. Chagla speaking on "War and Culture," at a meeting of the Students' Union, on Friday.

Mr. Chagla said that a democratic stage in which the citizen grew in are atmosphere of freedom was required for culture to flourish. There could be nothing common between culture which was the refinement of human soul and all that war stood for.

WAR GLORIFIED.

To-day, in Nazi Germany and Fascist Ttaly war had been glorified. Could such countries be called cultured, he asked. War was essentially disengenic; it had a deleterious effect on culture.

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Release Of Two New Films To-day

The beautiful folk dance in "Padosi" at Central.

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CENTRAL—"Padosi" and its Marathi version "Shejari", starring Datey and Jagirdar in the latter and Mazharkhan and Jagirdar in the former. Jayashree takes leading role as girl star in Marathi version and Anis Khatoon in Hindustani. (Fifth week).

IMPERIAL—"Madhusudan", Circo's story of matrimony in Hindu Society, featuring Maya Banerji, Ashalata and Kumar (Second week).

KRISHNA—"Narsi Bhagat", Prakash's season's Hit featuring Vishnupant Pagnis and Durga Khote, with Aundhkar, Vimla Vashishta and Ram Marathe in Hindustani. Full of fine songs, devotional and others, also stunts. (24th week).

LAMINGTON—'Pardesi', Ranjit's new film starring Motilal, Khurshid and Snehaprabha.

MAJESTIC — "Punarmilan" of Bombay Talkies, starring Kishore Shahu and Snehaprabha. Excellent dances. (9th week).

MINERVA — "Nartaki", Debki Bose's new picture by New Theatres. Reminiscent of "Vidyapati", Leela Desai's excellent dances Najmal Hussain acts opposite. Beautiful music by Pankaj Mullick. (10th week).

OPERA HOUSE — "Rajnartaki" Wadia's first trilingual picture. Sadhona Bose, Prithviraj and Ahin Chawdhry starring. Beautiful dances. (3rd week).

PATHE—"Sanskar" National Studio's fine picture, starring Rose and Jyoti.

ROXY—Bombay Talkies' "Bandhan", starring Leela Chitnis and Ashok Kumar with V. H. Desai, Suresh, etc. Very entertaining. (27th week).

WEST END—"Lagna Pahawe Karoon" with Damuanna Malvankar in stellar role. Rollicking humour with support from Jog and Vimal. (10th week).

Leela Desai and Najamul Hussain in 'Nartaki' at Minerva.

"Madhusudan" At Imperial

Kumar, Maya And Ashalata As Stars

Circo's latest social 'Madhusudan' which had its premiere at the Imperial Cinema, last Saturday, tells you the story of a daring young man, who rescued a young college-girl Kusum from marital misadventure! The orthodox parents of Kusum (Maya Bannerji) thought their daughter would be happy if she was married to a rich man—and that is why, she was going to be married to Chimanlal (Kashinath). But actually during the ceremony of marriage, she rises into revolt and refuses to marry that rich bafoon, whose orthodox family had caused the merciless death of his first wife. Then there is Jaya Kumari (Ashalata) who though married seven years ago, refuses to go to her husband's place—because the latter is a moral wreck. She refuses to submit to the humiliation of her husband—and again leaves him and goes to Madhusudan for help.

'Madhusudan' is directed by Balvant Bhatt. The cast includes Kumar, Maya Bannerji, Ashalata, Jiwan, Kashinath and Bhadriprasad.

There are some good songs and dances to balance the starkly realistic atmosphere of this social drama.

NEW CINEMA HOUSE AT THANA

Messrs. Marathe and Kulkarni, a firm of Architects in Bombay, were responsible for the design and supervision of the new Prabhat Theatre at Thana and Mr. M. M. Pavri was the contractor for its construction. The building is treated in Modern Indian style in all its details. The auditorium and the balcony together accommodate about 600 seats. The colour scheme of the interior is pleasing to the eye and its effect is heightened by the electric light panels by the sides of the proceni um opening. The usual inconvenient steps in and out of the Auditorium have been avoided by provision of ramp in the side verandahs. Latest type of extractors have been provided for ventilation of the premises. The execution of the building in such a delightful manner was possible on account of the owner Mr. K. V. Kulkarni having allowed full scope for the Architects' design.

Kumar in Circo's 'Madhusudan' at Imperial.

'Pardesi' Opens To-day

Snehaprabha, Motilal And Kurshid Star

Director Chaturbhuj Doshi does away with villainy in his latest film "Pardesi." It is not villainy but overwhelming goodness and generosity that are responsible for all the complications, climax and difficulties in the Ranjit film which will be released at Lamington to-day.

The story has the tragic background of an earthquake. A brother is lost in debris and a sister and his fiancee moan their dear loss. Both the young hearts cling to each other in calamity. A dramatic turn to the story is provided by a chance leading to the discovery of the lost brother. He is in a tragically blissful condition. Having lost his memory as a result of concussion of the brain, he is now among a group of beggars. He is lucky to have the love of a beggar girl who takes care of him. On the entreaties of the sister the beggar girl with the help of beggar friends collects the fees for a doctor, and surgical treatment restores his memory. Then comes the climax. Who should sacrifice? The fiancee or the beggar girl, To the former he is tied by promise, to the latter by gratitude and love. This does not solve the tangle. Each woman is ready to sacrifice for the other.

"Pardesi" includes Motilal, Madhuri, Khurshid and Snehaprabha as stars.

'GHARJAVAI' READY FOR RELEASE

'Gharjavai' of the Asha Pictures is now ready for release. Shobhana Samarth and Vanamala, who made her successful debut in the film world in Mr. Atre's "Lapandav" have been assigned stellar roles in this picture.

This new comedy film is also the work of Mr. Atre and therefore is a guaranteed laugh hit. It is directed by Mr. Kumarsen Samarth. The chief male role has been assigned to Avinash, a new face on the screen and a discovery of Mr. H. V. Mote.

"Dharmabandhan" At Novelty

Mr. Samaldas Gandhi, Managing Editor of "Vande Mataram" will perform the opening ceremony of the Rose production 'Dharmabandhan' at Novelty Talkies, Grant Road, to-day at 2 p.m. Khurshid is starred in this picture.

"Rajnartaki" At Opera House

"Rajnartaki", the new excellent dancing picture of the Wadias is drawing good audiences at the Royal Opera House. Sadhana Bose's dances in the picture are the talk of the town since they are considered the best of all you get in the dancing pictures in town.

'Matvali Meera' At Chitra

"Matvali Meera" will be shown at Chitra Takies during this week. Muktar Begum, Master Nissar and Hushna Banu are featured in this Bharatlaxmi production.

Sadhona Bose in 'Rajnartaki' at Royal Opera House.

"AMRIT" SHOOTING RESUMED

Film To Treat Of Social Inequality

The shooting of "Amrit" which was held up for some days due to the sad demise of the mother of Mr. Baburao and Mr. Winayakrao, has been resumed by Director Winayak from Monday last.

Based on the theme of social inequality and coming from the pen of Mr. V. S. Khandekar, the story of 'Amrit' is gripping from beginning to the end. The star-value of 'Amrit' is really great inasmuch as the cast includes such first rank artistes like Lalita Powar, Meenaxi, Baburao Pendharkar, Damuanna Malvankar, Salvi, Jog, Winayak and others.

FOREST SCENES FOR MEHBOOB'S PICTURE

Mr. Faredoon Irani, the ace cameraman of National Studios and Mr. Chimankant Gandhi are on a trip to Ankola (Karwar District) for taking some important outdoor scenes for Mehboob's picture "Amar-ki-Bina" (Man).

"Naya Sansar" Getting Ready

Renuka-Ashok Lead In Bombay Talkies Coming Film

The heroine of "Bhabi" is back again. To be more precise, she will soon be back on the screen.

When Bombay Talkies released "Jeevan Prabhat", with a brilliant cast led by Devika Rani, people did not fail to take notice of a new artiste that commanded appreciation in a comparatively minor role. The credit titles called her Renuka Devi.

The sequel to the new artiste's contribution to "Jeevan Prabhat" was "Bhabi." Renuka was placed in the leading role. The premiere audience pronounced her a star. She became the screen's sensation of the year, a standard for measuring artistic quality and appeal of personality.

Renuka Devi came to the screen like a flash. She disappeared like a flash, too; for, after "Bhabi", she was not seen on the screen again.

Filmgoers would now be glad to know that Renuka Devi is coming back on the screen. Bombay Talkies has starred her with Ashok Kumar in "Naya Sansar", now under production at Malad.

A popularity poll among filmgoers would to-day place Ashok Kumar at the head of all India's male stars—and by a good margin. The Headmaster of "Bandhan" is, to the people no mere actor; he is more a friend than a star.

As the Zamindar's collegiate son, who wrote a book for a living of love and self-respect, Ashok Kumar won appreciation in "Kangan." As the young Headmaster who ruled the children's hearts with his smile, he has earned the loving devotion of men and women and children, in "Bandhan." What will he be in "Naya Sansar"?

He is going to be an idealist newspaperman if accounts that have leaked out are true.

Even apart from Renuka Devi and Ashok Kumar, the cast of "Naya Sansar" is such as to excite public interest. It includes V. H. Desai, the hilariously mild-mannered estate manager of "Kangan" and the uproarious assistant teacher of "Bhandhan"; Mubarak, the Zamindar of "Kangan" who earned our sympathy even in his unreasonable fury, Suresh, the mischievous little "Nav Javan" of "Bandhan", Shah Nawaz, the villain double-dyed in "Bandhan" and "Punarmilan"; Pithawalla with his multi-colour personality—the meek Mahant of "Kangan", the kind Zamindar of "Bandhan", the generous mendicant of "Punarmilan."

And "Naya Sansar" has Azurie, the nimble-limbed dancer whose stage performances have brought her the expert's unstinted appreciation and the layman's unreserved praise.

These, and many more of the Bombay Talkies' chosen staff of artistes, compose the cast of "Naya Sansar."

DEBKI BOSE IN BOMBAY

Director Debki Kumar Bose, who directed "Vidyapati" and "Nartaki" at New Theatres, is in Bombay now with the Circo Productions Ltd.

Together with Mr. Debki Bose, there will be Mr. K. C. Dey, the famous blind singer of Bengal and New Theatres star who will look to the musical score of Debki Bose's picture.

Tributes To Winayak

'Lagna Pahawe Karoon' In Ninth Week

The reception given by picture-goers to Damuanna Malwankar at Nasik and Bombay where he appeared in person on the stage a few days ago on the one hand exposes the prevalent myth that picturegoers are only anxious to welcome and behold glamorous beauty-queens of the film world, and on the other hand, evinces the picturegoers' appreciation for a squint-eyed, middle aged comedian who has provided them with eminently enjoyable entertainment every now and then. Besides it was a fitting tribute paid by pictures to their popular comedian-Damuanna Malwankar, indirectly it was also a tribute to those men behind the screen who gave Damuanna the opportunity to entertain the audience.

As Damuanna himself admitted credit of his success goes to director Winayak, author and others; without them Damuanna could never dream of attaining this overwhelming popularity. Naturally when we admire Damuanna for his work in "Lagna Pahawe Karoon" how can we fail to admire the creator of Chimanrao's character—Prof. C. V. Joshi, the screen adapter and dialogue writer—V. S. Khandekar and above all the skilful direction of Winayak. In the case of Damuanna he has groomed the star in such a way that his aptitude for comedy is utilized to the maximum advantage. Not insisting on his own dictation Winayak seems to have given full scope to the individuality of Damuanna; as a result we find his mannerisms unaffected, movements free, and dialogue delivery natural. Due to this skilful handling by Winayak we find that Jog, Shakuntala, Baby Vimal and others have also turned in creditable performances in "Lagna Pahawe Karoon".

ASRA'S LAST SCENE

The last and most difficult scene of Asra, directed by Lalitchandra Mehta and Chimankant Gandhi under the supervision of Mehboob, which showed a huge procession of women marching in ranks with banners and slogans, has just been shot. The picture is now absolutely complete.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Mr. A. D. Shroff of Tata's, Sir Ishwardas Lukhmidas, Mr. M. C. Ghia and Mr. M. A. Fazalbhoy visited the new premises of National Studios Ltd. and were taken round the offices, studios, Laboratory and other departments by the Managing Directors on Feb. 2nd.

Ashok Kumar, the Journalist in 'Naya Sansar' shortly coming.

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Employees & Employers Suffer Under Shop Assistants' Act

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER SUGGESTS AMENDMENTS FOR SMOOTH WORKING

The Secretary, of the Indian Merchants' Chamber has addressed the following to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, on Bombay Shops and Establishments Act:—

This Act was placed on the Statute Book to bring about certain amenities for persons employed in shops and commercial establishments, and my Committee trust that Government will appreciate if they are informed of certain difficulties and inconveniences which are experienced as a result of the working of the Act.

HOURS OF WORK

It is felt that while 208 hours per month may be allowed to remain as the normal hours of work, it should be permissible for increased hours of work being put in, on payment of extra salary to the employee concerned. It is suggested that extended hours of work upto a maximum of 39 hours per month, on payment of overtime, should be provided for by suitably amending the Section. It may be mentioned that if this amendment is made, an employee will be required or allowed to work on an average upto a maximum of 9½ hours per day.

Under Rule 6, extended spread-over for stock-taking etc., for calendar year with a maximum spread-over of 16 hours per day are allowed for the purpose of a commercial establishment. A similar facility, however, is not provided for so far as shops are concerned. It is suggested that corresponding provisions should be made for increased spread-over of hours of work for shops.

EXEMPTIONS

Under Section 4, the provisions of the Act are not applicable to certain types of employees. Thus, it does not apply to a person employed as a watchman. It is, however, reported that Bhayyas who generally work as Watchmen, but who are sometimes employed for collection of money or Hundis, are not being treated as Watchmen for the purpose of the exemption, and the Department is insisting that the requirements of the Act regarding hours of work etc., should be made applicable to such Bhayyas.

Again persons occupying positions of management are exempt from the Act; but the Department is not treating 'Munims' as managers for the purpose of the exemption.

Similarly, House managers employed in Cinema houses are not being treated as managers and the act is made applicable to them. Such artificial distinctions should not be made in interpreting the terms used regarding the class of persons exempted from the Act and the exemption should be deemed to cover the types of persons referred to above also.

DEFINITION OF 'OPEN'

Under Section 2 (11) 'Open' is defined to mean as open for the service of any customer. This section is strictly interpreted to mean that shop doors should not remain open after the prescribed time and that any employee should not be allowed to be in the premises after such time. Such interpretation is not warranted by the definition in question and no objection should be taken to the presence of employees after stipulated hours or to the mere fact of the shop doors being open if the provisions of the Act regarding the hours of work are not otherwise being infringed. If the mere presence of employees is objected to, the result will be that in the case of many such employees who practically stay in the shop premises, considerable hardship would be caused.

EXPORT-IMPORT CONTROL

Indian Merchants' Representation

The Secretary of the Indian Merchants' Chamber has addressed the following memorandum to the Secretary, Commerce Department, Government of India:—

The Committee of this Chamber have time and again been receiving complaints from their members ever since the beginning of the war, with regard to grievances, hardships and difficulties and inconveniences they have to suffer owing to the control policy of the Government of India both as regards imports and exports.

My Committee have in a recent sub-Committee meeting studied these questions in collaboration with businessmen dealing in different lines and they now address this representation embodying all the points which apply not to one trade only but to several trades like Paper, Fountain Pens, Iron and Steel, Dye-stuffs, Chemicals etc.

(a) Whenever a control is instituted, the same should come into operation only from the date of the notification announcing the same and on no account retrospective effect should be given.

(b) All goods covered by orders or firm contracts placed or executed before the date of the coming into force of any control should, as a matter of course, be allowed to be imported, and licences for such imports should 'ipso facto' be granted.

(c) In the case of orders for which merchants have already opened confirmed letters of credit, considerable inconvenience and loss would arise if licences were not granted in time, by either the credits being not renewed within the time stipulated or the credit amount being drawn against.

(d) In the matter of fixing quotas, the period selected as the basis for such quotas should be determined in consultation with the representatives of the trade concerned and should be announced in advance.

(e) An Import Advisory Council, with subsidiary Committees at different ports, should be appointed to discuss and settle points involving practical difficulties.

(f) An Impport Controller for Steel in Bombay should be appointed; and

(g) Steps for giving wider publicity to the Import Control notifications and rules thereunder should be taken.

My Committee hope that Government will be pleased to give effect to all the above recommendations as soon as possible in the interests of the import trade. They particularly emphasise that it is now high time that an Import Advisory Council with subsidiary Committees at different ports be appointed. My Committee suggested the formation of such a Council so far back as 22nd June 1940 and Government were pleased to reply to them that they had carefully considered the suggestion but were of the opinion that it would be premature to take such a step before further experience of the working of the scheme had been gained and a clearer view obtained of the nature of the problems involved. Government have now gained experience of 7 or 8 months of the working of the Control scheme and my Committee feel that Government will now agree with them that the time has now come when an Import Advisory Council may be constituted.

Similarly, there is a persistent demand on the part of Iron and Steel traders that an Import Controller for Steel should be appointed for Bombay, as they have to run up to Calcutta for their requirements and they experience great difficulty with regard to licences and permits.

Vehicles & Animal Tax

Under Section 198 of the City of Bombay Municipal Act III of 1888, tax on vehicles and animals is payable quarterly in arrear, on each first day of April, July, October and January. Further, although under Section 180 of the Act, the tax is to be levied on vehicles and animals, the liability for payment of the tax is now a personal liability only. The Bombay Municipal Corporation has therefore, suffered serious loss in revenue. The Corporation has requested the Government of Bombay to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act so as to facilitate the collection of the tax in advance instead of in arrear and to attach the ultimate liability to vehicles and animals on the analogy of the proporety tax.

The Government of Bombay consider that before any action is taken, the opinion of the public should be invited on the provisions of the Bill. The draft Bill, with brief explanation on its clauses, is accordingly being published in the "Bombay Government Gazette." Any objection or suggestions in respect of the proposed Bill should be submitted to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay General Department on or before March 20.

More Income-tax In Kapurthala

KAPURTHALA, Feb. 20

On the recommendation of the State Council H.H. the Maharaja of Kapurthala has approved a proposal to enhance the current income-tax rates in the State by 25 per cent. with effect from 1st April next till further orders, states a Kapurthala Gazette Extraordinary.—A. P.

INDIA'S CENSUS

Population Figures May Reach Forty Crores

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20.

In the last census of 1931, the population of India, with Burma, was 352,000,000. This year, the figure for India only is expected to be well on the way to 400,000,000. It is expected that the increase for the decade ending this year will be 13.4 per cent, a record unsurpassed in the last sixty years.

The total cost of the entire operation is estimated at fifty lakhs of rupees.

The simultaneous one night count has been abandoned this year, but February 28 and March 1 have been set aside for a final checkup and the counting of the floating population. The key moment for the census is sunrise of March 1. It is expected that it may be possible to publish the provisional total returns by about March 31.—A. P.

CENSUS QUESTIONNAIRE

In connection with the present census, the following Enumerator's Questionnaire, contains 22 questions. Of these, questions 7 and 8 will be put to married women only. Other women and all males will not be asked these two questions:—

1. Name .....
2. Sex .....
3. Race, Tribe or Caste .....
4. Religion .....
5. Married, unmarried, widowed or divorced .....
6. Age .....
7. Number of children born to a married woman and number surviving .....
8. Her age at birth of first child .....
9. Are you wholly or partly dependent on anyone else? .....
10. If so, means of livelihood of person on whom dependent .....
11. Do you employ (a) paid assistants, (b) members of household? If so, how many? .....
12. Are you in employment now? .....
13. (Only to those who reply in the negative to question 12.) Are you in search of employment? .....
    To those who reply in the affirmative the further question will be put—How long have you been in search of it? .....
14. Means of livelihood in order of importance .....
15. (Only to be asked in regard to means of livelihood of a person shown as partly dependent against question 9 or any subsidiary means of livelihood returned by other persons against question 14.)
    Does this means of livelihood exist throughout the year? .....
16. If you are employed by some one else, what is his business? .....
17. Were you born in this district? If not, in what district? .....
18. Mother tongue .....
19. Other Indian Languages in common use .....
20. Can you both read and write? If so, what language do you write? Can you only read? .....
21. How far have you read? Give the highest examination passed .....
22. Are you literate in English? .....

RELIGION

The Official Circular No. 14 which sets out in details the method of answering the different questions says as follows regarding "Question No. 4—Religion":—

If the enumerated person practises:—
(a) Islam write Is.
(b) Hinduism write H.
(c) Christianity write Chr.
(d) Any Tribal religion write Tribal
(e) Buddhism write Buddhist.
(f) Brahmoism write Brahmo.
For Parsees write Zoroastrian.
For Chinese write Confucianism.
For Jews write Jew.
For Jains write Jain.
For Sikhs write Sikhism.
If the enumerated person acknowledges no religion, write "No religion".

Escaped Italian Prisoner Arrested

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 21

On receipt of the information that an Italian prisoner travelling by a special troop train from Bombay to Bangalore escaped from the train the railway police at Wadi conducted a search and arrested the prisoner at Shahabad.

The prisoner was brought to the Secunderabad Court today who ordered him to be handed over to the military authorities.

The prisoner belongs to officers rank.—United Press.

Compensation To Sugar-Cane Growers

Rajen Babu Wants Govt. To Announce Amount And Basis Of Distribution

PATNA, Feb. 20.

"I would request the Government to announce without delay what compensation they are going to pay and on what basis it is to be calculated and how it is to be calculated", says Dr. Rajendra Prasad commenting on the Government decision of creating a Compensation Fund for cultivators, who would not be able to sell all their sugar-cane due to last year's carry-over.

Dr. Prasad reviews the sugar problem of the Province from the beginning of last year's crushing season up to the present position and holds Government's policy responsible for it.

Observing that cultivators can not be blamed, if they have become restless, he suggests that a clear statement from the Government of their policy with regard to the working of the Compensation Fund would be able to remove to a great extent the feeling of uncertainty among the growers. He opines that there should not be any discretion between free and reserved areas in the matter of compensation as there has not been a regular policy in restricting such areas.

Dr. Prasad observes that production of Gur would not even meet the cost of cultivation of sugar-cane and says that the current selling price of gur would not be a criterion of the rate of compensation. He also suggests that the Government should announce the amount of their contribution from general Revenue to the compensation fund on an approximation of sugar-cane unlikely to be disposed of.—A. P.

MANZILGAH TO BE HANDED OVER TO MUSLIMS

KARACHI, Feb. 21

A decision to hand over the Manzilgah to the Sukkur Muslims was reached at a meeting of the Sind Cabinet held this morning. The disputed buildings will be restored to the Muslims immediately with certain safeguards for Hindus.

This is in pursuance of recommendations contained in the Weston report, which was released for publication today—United Press.

It is learnt that H. H. the Nawab of Bhopal is expected to present a fleet of fifteen new special type of armoured cars, fitted with Bren guns and anti-tank guns, costing about Rs. 1,50,000 to H.E. the Viceroy for war service.

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Satyagraha Arrests And Convictions

In U. P.

CAWNPORE CONVICTION AND ARRESTS

The City Magistrate sentenced Mr. Ramanuj to one year's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 25 or, in default, one month's rigorous imprisonment under the Defence of India Rules for offering Satyagraha.

ARRESTS

Mr. Deo Dutta Sharma, a Congress Satyagrahi was arrested in a village near Rasoolabad Police Circle while on his way to Delhi in accordance with Mahatma Gandhi's instructions.

Five other Satyagrahis were also arrested to-day under the Defence of India Rules.

CONGRESS COMMITTEE MEMBER ARRESTED

LUCKNOW, Feb. 19.

Mr. Brahmadutta, a Member of the Town Congress Committee, Saharanpur, courted arrest to-day by the Town Congress Committee, Saharanpur, courted arrest to-day by offering Satyagraha, says a report received here.—A. P.

'PINDI SATYAGRAHA TO BE RESUMED

LAHORE, Feb. 20

A meeting of the Working Committee of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee, held this evening, decided to resume the Congress Satyagraha which was suspended in Rawalpindi following a clash between the police and the people on the occasion of the arrest of a Satyagrahi, Jogenderlal on February 14.

Jogi Ram Nath Shastri, who is in charge of the Satyagraha movement in Rawalpindi, acquainted the Committee with the circumstances in which the incident occurred.

It is understood that in order to avoid a recurrence of such incidents the Working Committee has decided to issue instructions to the subordinate Congress committees emphasising the necessity of maintaining peace and order at the time of offering Satyagraha.—A. P.

Mr. Harilal Zaveri who was arrested on Thursday.

Arrests And Convictions In Punjab

LAHORE: The following arrests and convictions in connection with Congress Satyagraha are reported from different parts of the Punjab:—

Pandit Harbanslal Missar, Nurmahal, sentenced to one year's imprisonment at Jullundur; Shrimati Kasturbai of Rohtak, nine months' imprisonment; Dr. Ram Narayan of Talmaba one and a half year's R. I. at Khanewal; Pandit Parmanand one year's imprisonment at Hissar; Teluram one year's imprisonment at Ferozepur.

Lala Darbari Lal, arrested at Nurmahal; Sitaram, arrested at Khanewal; Jamal Din, arrested at Talmaba, Dr. Gangaram, arrested at Garhshanker; Pandit Hardwarilal, General Secretary of the Sirsa Congress Committee, arrested; Choudhri Abdul Hayree, arrested at Ferozepur.

Chand Bibi, wife of Lala Shamlal, M.L.A. (Central) has given notice of her intention offer Satyagraha on February 22.

Kundan Lal, was sentenced to two years' R. I. under the Defence of India Rules.

Shrimati Purandevi, President of the Ladies' Congress Committee, has been sentenced to six months' simple imprisonment at Ludhiana.

Mr. Hardwarilal, General Secretary of the Tehsil Congress Committee, Sirsa, sentenced to one and a half year's and one year's imprisonment on two counts under the Defence of India Rules, the sentences to run concurrently.

AMRITSAR: Mr. Fauja Singh Bhullar, has been sentenced to two years' R. I. Mr. Sahibdial, was sentenced to two years' R. I.

AMBALA: Nohriaram, Secretary of the Tehsil Congress Committee, and Sampuransingh, President of the Kesri Congress Committee, sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment each.

JULLUNDUR: Mr. Harbanslal and Baba Karam Singh, were arrested for offering Satyagraha. There will be no Satyagraha in the Jullundur District on February 23 and 24.

Arrests And Convictions In Madras

MADRAS: The following further Satyagraha convictions are reported from the districts:—

DEVAKOTTAI: Messrs. D. R. Arunachalam Chettiar of Devakottai, S.O.S.P. Udaiyapa, General Secretary of the Sivaganga Zamin Ryots Association, Paganeri, and A. Subramanyam, Advocate, Sivaganga each six months' rigorous imprisonment and fine of Rs. 1,000.

VELLORE: Mr. Ramanatha Redyar four months' rigorous imprisonment and fine of Rs. 200.

SALEM: Mr. R. Venkatesan Chettiar of Gogai four months' rigorous imprisonment. Mr. Palaniappa Mudaliar of Ammapet and Mr. Chinnaswami of Shevapet four months' rigorous imprisonment.

Mr. Vavilala Gopalakrishnayya and Mr. C. P. Saradahi, Socialists of Guntur, were arrested under the Defence of India Act and taken to Vellore, where they will be kept under detention.

Messrs. R. Ponnuswami, T. R. Gopala Pillai, and A. Venkatesan, who were arrested for anti-war slogans were sentenced by the Chief Presidency Magistrate to three months' rigorous imprisonment each.

MASULIPATAM: Mr. A. Samudrayya, a local Congressman, who offered Satyagraha was sentenced by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate to three months' R I. under the Defence of India Rules. Mr. C. Rami Reddi, Advocate, Guntur, who offered Satyagraha was arrested and will be brought to Guntur.

Berar Arrests

AKOLA: Dr. Gopalrao Khedkar and Mr. Gajananrao Kulkarni were arrested to-day under the Defence of India Rules in connection with Satyagraha.

STATE WORKERS CONVICTED

Warning For Contempt Of Court

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 20.

Mr. Y. D. Joshi, General Secretary. Hyderabad Hindu Praja Mandal, and four others who were charged with contempt of Court before a Full Bench of the High Court were convicted and let off with a warning.

The prosecution alleged that Mr. Joshi and others as members of a Sub-Committee appointed by the Praja Mandal investigated on behalf of the Mandal into the incidents of Bidar rioting last March and published a report on the subject in spite of the fact that some persons were at the time standing trial in Courts of Law.

Their Lordships observed when cases were before Courts of Law such an atmosphere should not be created as would put obstacles in the way of proper administration of justice. It was not fit for an institution to take the Law in its hands without waiting for the result of a judicial enquiry.—A. P

Seven Satyagrahis Not Yet Arrested

INDORE, (By Mail)

Seven Satyagrahis from Indore, including 2 women are offering Satyagraha in the villages of the C. P. from various dates since the middle of January, but have not yet been arrested. They all reached Itarsi on their way to Delhi on the 19th instant after covering a distance of more than 100 miles on feet and visiting nearly 50 villages carrying the message of Congress and propagating anti-war and constructive propaganda.

MUZAFFARPUR SATYAGRAHIS CONVICTED

MUZAFFARPUR, Feb. 21.

Ganga Prasad Gupta has been sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment and fined Rs 15 and Laxhmi Thakur to three months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 15 for shouting anti-war slogans in Hajipur subdivision.—A. P.

INDEPENDENCE DAY SEQUEL

Notice On Jammu Congress Workers

(From Our Correspondent)

JAMMU (By Mail)

Five workers of the Jammu City Congress Committee including the President, Lala Bodh Raj, have been served with notices under Sec. 108 A by the Additional District Magistrate of Jammu to show cause why they should not be bound down to keep peace and good behaviour for one year or otherwise dealt with under the law. This is the sequel of the celebration of "Independence Day" under the auspices of the Jammu City Congress Committee.

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Weekly Market Reviews

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, Feb. 21.

MONEY

Easy conditions continued to prevail in the short-term money market supplied as it is with a plethora of funds. There was no change in the call money rate which was 1/4 per cent. 3 to 6 months' money was available at 1 to 1-1/4 per cent. per annum. The average rate of accepted tenders for three months' Government of India Treasury Bills was Re. 0-11-1 per cent per annum, only one pie over the previous week's rate in spite of the fact that Government have sold Rs. 2·23 crores of intermediates during the week ended 17th February 1941.

A rise of Rs. 5.41 lacs in the active note circulation is revealed by the weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India made upto 14th February 1941. The total of notes issued has gone up by Rs. 12.79 lacs, there being a corresponding rise of Rs. 12.71 lacs in the Bank's holding of Rupee Coin. In the Banking Department, Deposits on account of Government mark an increase of Rs. 370.33 lacs, while Bankers' Deposits have declined by Rs. 262.78 lacs. The item of 'Other Deposits' is up by Rs. 11.41 lacs. Balances held abroad have risen by Rs. 200.71 lacs, and Loans and Advances to Government by Rs. 10 lacs.

The statement of the Imperial Bank of India for the week ended 14th February 1941 records a rise of Rs. 28.25 in all kinds of Deposits. Investments have increased by Rs. 195.20 lacs and Advances also are marked up by Rs. 67.81 lacs. The Bank's holding of Cash is depleted by Rs. 233.97 lacs.

GILT-EDGED.

The firm tone prevailing in gilt-edged for the past few weeks gave way to an easier trend during the week under review following increased tension in the Far East and the Balkans. The price of 3-1/2 per cent. Rupee Paper dropped sharply from Rs. 99 to Rs. 94-10, but recovered and closed at Rs. 94-13. There was, however, no change in the quotation for 3-1/2 per cent. India Sterling Stock which stood at £98-1 throughout. In the local market, the were sellers in all other scrips, 2-3/4 per cent. 1948-52 loan was offered at Rs. 96-10 and 3 per cent. 1951-54 loan at Rs. 99 as against the opening quotations of Rs. 97-4 and Rs. 99-6 respectively. 3 per cent. 1963-65 loan gradually moved down from Rs. 94-8 to Rs 94-2, 2-1/2 per cent 1947-50 loan from Rs. 102-10 to Rs. 102-2 and 4 per cent. 1948 bonds from Rs. 104-10 to Rs. 104-8. 4 per cent 1960-70 loan lost half a point to Rs. 108 and 5 per cent. 1945-55 (tax free) loan dropped from Rs. 112-7 to Rs. 112. There were sellers in 3 per cent. 1946 Defence Bonds at Rs. 100-11.

EXCHANGE

With foreign trade on private account practically at a standstill, there was little activity in the exchange market. The showing of bills was very small and rates continued unchanged. Sellers of spot T. T. on London quoted 1s. 5-63/64d. for interbank business with buyers at 1s. 6d. Merchant rates fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association were unchanged as under:

Sellers:—T. T. for spot delivery and upto six months 1s. 5-31/32d.

Buyers:—T. T. for spot delivery and upto six months 1s. 6-1/32d.

In the New York market, sterling moved within the extremely narrow rahge of 402-3/4 and 403-1/4 cents. The Shanghai dollar improved fractionally from 3-5/16d. to 3-3/8d. mid-week, but the yen was stationary at the now familiar level of 1s. 2-1/2d.

GOLD.

The gold market underwent a minor boom during the week when rates advanced by almost half a rupee mainly on account of bull speculation based on fears of a political crisis in the Far East. From Rs. 42-2-3 spot gold went up to Rs. 42-9-6 on Monday following bellicose statements by Far Eastern politicians. The market is well supplied with stocks, but arrivals from upcountry have been on a reduced scale for some time and these are easily absorbed. The improvement noticed early in the week was not maintained and the rate fluctuated between Rs. 42-5-3 and Rs. 42-8-9 for the rest of the period. March settlement was quoted at a premium of 9 pies, while gold to be delivered in April settlement commanded a similar premium over March. In sympathy with the higher price of gold, Sovereigns went up to Rs. 28-11 on Monday, but later were quoted around Rs. 28-10. Stocks of gold in the local market are estimated at about 3,25,000 tolas; arrivals from upcountry are believed to have averaged between 4,000 and 5,000 tolas a day; while the average daily offtake is put at 4,000 tolas in addition to which some gold was surrendered in exchange for sovereigns. The highest and lowest rates touched during the week were: Rs. 42-9-6 and Rs. 42-2-3 for spot, Rs. 42-10-3 and Rs. 42-2-3 for March settlement and Rs. 42-11 and Rs. 42-3 for April settlement.

SILVER.

The silver section of the bullion market did not share the firmness of the gold section although the undertone remained fairly steady. During most part of the week, spot silver was static around Rs. 63-3-6 with variations of one anna either way. Towards the close, however, there was an easier feeling and the rate declined to Rs. 62-15, finally closing at Rs. 63-0. Both March and April settlements were quoted at a discount of 2-1/2 annas under spot. In London, the market continued to rule idle with very little business passing. Cash silver opened at 23-5/16d. declined to 23-1/4d. mid-week, but recovered and closed at 23-3/8d. Two months' forward delivery silver, after being quoted at a discount of 1/16d. on the opening day, stood at par with cash for the rest of the week except at the close when the cash quotation once again stood 1/16d. higher than the forward. There was improved offtake in the local market during the week and stocks, in consequence, have been lower at 4,500 bars. The highest and lowest rates touched were: Rs. 63-4-6 and Rs. 62-15 for spot, Rs. 63-1-6 and Rs. 62-12-6 for March settlement and Rs. 63-1 and Rs. 62-12-6 for April settlement.

SHARES.

The local stock market was characterised by somewhat hesitant tone during the week and price movements were comparatively narrow. The publication of the Railway Budget, which revealed a large surplus gave a momentary impetus to the market, but in view of the conflicting reports regarding the attitude of Japan in the Far East, operators preferred to remain on sidelines.

Tata Iron and Steel Deferreds, after ruling firm at Rs. 1962-8 earlier in the week, declined on profit-taking to Rs 1920 mid-week, but thereafter gradually recovered and closed at Rs. 1948-12, whilst Ordinaries, after losing about 6 points to Rs. 376, closed fairly steady at Rs. 580. The cotton mill group, on the other hand, presented a fairly steady tone except Bombay Dyeings which were a shade easier on reports of reduction in the dividend and bonus from Rs. 35 to Rs. 30 this year. The quotation for these dropped from Rs. 1115 to Rs. 1075, but closed somewhat higher at Rs. 1086-4. Kohinoors improved from Rs. 411 to Rs 418-8, Centuries from Rs. 374 to Rs. 379 and Central Indias from Rs. 304-8 to Rs. 308-8. New Greats showed a slow but steady rise from Rs. 414 to Rs. 430 during the course of the week. Shares in the Hydro-electric group were all firm with large investment inquiry. Andhra Valleys advanced further from Rs. 1830 to Rs. 1845 and Tata Powers from Rs. 1607-8 to Rs. 1642-8. Tata Hydros, on the other hand, were a shade easier at Rs. 184, whilst Bombay Trams remained almost static at Rs 135. There was good inquiry in the Bank shares, particularly Bank of Indias which improved from Rs. 143-12 to Rs. 145-4, whilst business in Imperial Bank Fully Paids was done between Rs. 1565 and Rs 1558. Reserve Banks were quieter at Rs. 104-12 and Central Banks at Rs. 43-8 at the finish. Amongst Railways, Tapti Valleys were fairly steady and improved from Rs. 642-8 to Rs. 657-8, but Ahmedabad Prantij were inclined to be offered and dropped precipitately from Rs. 977-8 to Rs. 910. In the miscellaneous section, Associated Cements were in the limelight and came in for considerable buying. After opening firm at Rs. 138-8, the quotation gradually moved up and closed at Rs. 143-8. Other scrips in this section, however, were practically unchanged. Belapurs remained in the vicinity of Rs. 210 and Bombay Burmas showed small variations around Rs. 530. Scindia Steams and New Indias were maintained around Rs 21-2 and Rs. 41 throughout the week.

CALCUTTA.

The jute section of the Calcutta share market was characterised by extremely dull conditions with little or no change in quotations. There was no improvement in the turnover either.

EARLY RISE IN SUGAR MEETS INCREASED SELLING

Heavy Arrivals And Weak Liquidation

Bombay, Feb 19

Java sugar: During the week under review, local market for ready Java sugar has remained unchanged as there are no local stocks. There was some enquiry for Bonded Java sugar for transhipment but business was not possible as there are very small stocks in the Bond which are in a damaged condition. In absence of stocks in Bond there was some demand for sugar by named steamers to arrive here shortly and it is reported that business was done for a few hundred tons at a premium of 3 to 4 annas per cwt. over forward. Owing to firmness in near positions there was good demand for Cutch and Kathiawar Ports for February or March shipments and business was reported for small quantities. On the whole prices recorded a rise of 6 to 8 annas per cwt. over the prices ruling last week. Business was generally restricted as Java shippers were not in a position to make suitable offers owing to want of further space and it is difficult to secure freight at the moment. At the close, market was firm as there was hardly any selling interest in spite of recent sharp advance in prices. Looking to the present enquiries from different Ports, it is likely that fresh business will develop as soon as booking is possible in Java.

INDIAN SUGAR

During the earlier part of the week local market for Indian sugar remained firm with an advance of 2 to 3 annas per md. due to some speculative buying of the Maharashtra Sugar Mills and in consequence, the mills raising their selling limits by about 4 to 5 annas per md. During the later part of the week market, however, showed weaker tendency due to continued heavy arrivals, and pressure of sales by weak holders. Market on the whole reacted and prices closed at the level of opening quotations of the week. Rumours regarding increase in Excise Duty have not affected this market. Local prices are generally maintained in spite of heavy arrivals and most of the sugars is being stocked as the general opinion amongst dealers is that there will be enhancement in the rate of Excise of Factory manufactured sugar. There was limited business in Gola and prices were practically unchanged. Cawnport market was reported quiet with hardly any change in quotations. Future tone of the market was uncertain.

FOREIGN MARKETS

On the New York Terminal market, there was an advance of 3, 2 and 2 points in March, May and July respectively. Java market was reported firm due to scarcity of freight.

CALCUTTA AND KARACHI

There was no interest in Java sugar in Calcutta and quotations are nominal. In Karachi business was restricted to sales of ready for transhipment. The stocks are very much reduced and holders are firm and are not willing to sell anything except at their own limits. As regards Indian sugars, Calcutta market was reported very quiet owing to poor enquiries from consuming centres on account of sales of Gur and Khandsari sugars at very low prices. Karachi market was reported quiet with small business and moderate clearances.

JAVA CROP 1942.

The Netherlands Government have fixed the 1942 crop at 1,450,000 tons less the 1940 over production of 120,000 tons thus making a total of 1,330,000 tons to be produced.

FREIGHT OF JAVA SUGAR TO B. INDIA

The January rates of freight to the East and West coasts of India, Burma, Ceylon and Persian Gulf have been extended upto end of February 1941.

GENERAL

Local market for ready Java sugar is likely to remain unchanged as there are no stocks. As regards forward positions, the situation is at the moment extremely uncertain and will depend on the news from Java and political developments in the Far East.

Industrialise Or Perish

Patna, Feb 20

"To-day a nation must industrialise or perish" observed Mr. J. J. Gandhi, General Manager, Tata Iron and Steel Co. Ltd., delivering his address here this evening at the naming ceremony of the Bihar Commercial Museum at the 'Tata Hall.'

Mr. Gandhi narrated briefly the extension of programme of the Tatas owing to war time necessities and said that the company had already installed two electric furnaces for the manufacture of wheels and tyres and another plant for the production not only of ordinary steel but also of acid steel.

He revealed that experiments had enabled Tatas to produce bullet proof armoured plates of special alloy steel for the manufacture of armoured vehicles and also special steels for armour piercing projectiles and for drawing into telegraph wires.

The company, Mr. Gandhi said had also agreed to train 250 mechanics for the Indian Air Force and in addition 50 men as a start for the Indian Army Ordnance Corps and Ordnance factories.

These developments he hoped would be of the greatest value to the railways, army and to Government in its programme of war time extensions.

He observed, "This war will be won or lost on the steel front" and gave an assurance that Tatas would not fall in the grim hour of crisis.—A.P

Afghanistan's First Sugar Factory

PESHAWAR, Feb. 17.

Afghanistan's first sugar factory, recently built at Baghlan it is understood, is capable of turning out half the annual requirement of sugar in that country. The factory is close to the main road going from Pule-Kumri to the heart of the province of Katagan, with a large area of arable land suitable for the cultivation of beet.

The cultivable land of Baghlan has been divided into plots and cultivators from all parts of the country have been invited to cultivate beet in this area. Each cultivator has been given a plot of land and a financial loan for the purpose.

The Afghan authorities are confident of the success of the undertaking which has an output of 11,000 tons of sugar annually. They are also considering the advisability of further investment in the sugar industry

BROACH COTTON ON BARGAIN COUNTER

Export Demand Broadens

Bombay, Feb 20

Messrs. P. Chrystal and Co. have issued the following weekly report:—

During the earlier part of the week under review there was quite a sharp decline in the New York market owing to the tension over the international situation in the Far East. Most of this decline was recovered during the past two days, so that over the week the nett change in prices has been unimportant. During the week it was officially announced that the consumption of raw cotton by Mills in the United States during the month of January was the record figure of 843,000 bales, foreshadowing a total consumption for the whole season of not less than nine million bales. This increased offtake to some extent will make up for the diminishing exports. We cannot foresee large fluctuations in the American market in the near future but we expect prices to keep steady as more cotton will have to be repossessed to fill domestic requirements.

A few days ago it was announced that the Controller in Liverpool would take full control of imports of raw cotton. No details have been given but it is believed that he will utilise trade channels. The sequel to this move will probably be the closing down of the Liverpool Futures market.

LOCAL MARKET

In Bombay we have had another week of active markets in both the forward and the spot sections. Our Futures market has behaved in a most nervous manner due to various reports and rumours from the Far East but these have had little influence on the values of actual cotton. Indian Mills have continued active buyers of many sorts of cotton and the basis of all better qualities has stiffened further. In addition during the last three days there has been quite a healthy demand from Far Eastern consumers, and most of this surprisingly has come from Japan, where consumers at long last have purchased some substantial lines of the despised Oomra cotton, in addition to other staple varieties in which they have been continually interested. The steadily increasing activity of the Indian Mill Industry was demonstrated the other day with the publication of the consumption figures for the month of December, when the huge total of nearly 310,000 bales was put into process. This figure includes Indian cotton only and it would seem that the previous optimistic estimate of a yearly consumption of 36 lacs of bales may have to be revised upwards.

BROACH COTTON

The movement of the Broach crop is even later than was expected and merchants who had sold cotton for February delivery are having great difficulty in fulfilling their contracts. That portion of the crop which so far has been available has been promptly snapped up by needy consumers at most unusual high premia. Much of the early arrivals contain stainy cotton but generally the fibre promises to have better spinning value than the crop of last year. The lateness of the crop is encouraging the belief that crop estimates will have to be further reduced. Whatever happens there is no doubt the crop is smaller than a year ago and we are of opinion that all of it will be required by the trade. Yesterday when we were asked by a client for an opinion of the market we replied that we considered that Bengal and Oomra cottons were now on an investment level but that Broach was on the bargain counter. Before the season is very much older consumers will find our longer staples either impossible to secure or if obtainable only at a prohibitive price when naturally they will turn their attention more to our medium staples.

LONDON BULLION MARKET

London, Dec 2

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Co. have issued the following report:—

GOLD

The amount of gold held in the Issue Department of the Bank of England during the month of November, 1940, was unaltered at £241,575.

The Bank of England's buying price for gold remained unchanged at 168s per fine ounce, at which figure the above amount was calculated.

The Transvaal gold output for October 1940 was 1,211,277 fine ounces—a new monthly high record; it compares with the previous record of 1,199,599 fine ounces produced in August 1940. The output for September 1940 was 1,166,152 fine ounces and for October 1939 1,102,212 fine ounces.

SILVER

During November, there was a gradual decline in prices from 23 1/2d. for cash and 23.7/16d. for two months' delivery quoted on the 1st, to 22.7/8d. for both positions quoted on the 29th. Cash silver was at a premium of 1/16d. or 1/8d. during the first week of the month, but on November 8th, due chiefly to Indian reselling for near delivery, prices were quoted level at 23.5/16d. Later in the month, there was some carrying forward of bull contracts and on November 18th and 19th, when quotations for the respective deliveries were 23.3/16d. and 23 1/4d., cash silver was at a discount for the first time since March 29th last.

Conditions continued to be quiet and the sagging tendency seen during the latter half of the month was due more to lack of interest than to pressure of selling; offerings were very moderate and of a general character, but met with only poor resistance.

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Communalism Condemned

MADRAS, Feb. 20.

Though constitutionalism did not pay in politics for the time being, it was bound to succeed ultimately said Sir Mahomed Osman, Vice-Chancellor, Madras University, presiding over a public meeting to celebrate the Anniversary of the death of Gopala Krishna Gokhale at the Servants of India Society.

He condemned all communal outbursts and said they were all anxious to get Swaraj so that they Hindus, Moslems and all, could live together in amity and friendliness.

The Right Hon Mr. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri, said that it was a great satisfaction to him to note that there were many people who still cherished the ideals for which Mr. Gokhale fought and died.—A. P.

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Mrs. Asaf Ali Sentenced To One Year

Ahrar Leader's Talks With Rajen Babu

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

Mrs. Asaf Ali, who offered Satyagraha recently, was sentenced to one year's simple imprisonment this morning by the Additional District Magistrate with a recommendation that she should be placed in "A" class.—

AHRAR LEADER MEETS RAJEN BABU

PATNA Feb. 21.

Pirzada Syed Sulaiman, an Ahrar Leader who was recently released from the Hazaribagh Jail on the expiry of his term of imprisonment under the Defence of India Rules had a prolonged discussion with Dr. Rajendra Prasad yesterday.

The Pirzada in the course of the talk is believed to have clarified the issues on which the Majlis-i-Ahrar were participating in the Congress Satyagraha movement, which included the question of freedom of speech, the freedom of Islamic countries and India's independence.

There could be no recess between the second and third phases of the Congress Satyagraha movement, as the list of Satyagrahis for the third phase would be approved and ready by the time the second phase is completed. This observation was made by Dr. Rajendra Prasad in the course of his talks with pressmen this morning.

When his attention was drawn to the recent policy of the Provincial Governments of not arresting Satyagrahis, Dr. Rajendra Prasad said that in his opinion it would not affect the movement in any way.—A. P.

Arrests In Ahmedabad

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 21.

Three Satyagrahis were arrested to-day at three different villages of the Ahmedabad District while shouting anti-war slogans.

Kaira Convictions

(From Our Correspondent)

NADIAD, Feb. 20.

The following have been sentenced to six months' simple imprisonment each by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate of Kaira, under the Defence of India Rules for offering Satyagraha:—

Messrs. Bhailalbhai Mathurbhai (Boriavi), Ambalal Dharamdas (Anand), Shanabhai Prabhudas (Jankharia), Dhanjibhai Somabhai (Dethali), Devashanker Nathabhai (Navagam), Manibhai Sarabhai (Kanera) and Motibhai Zaverbhai.

They were placed in "B" class.

Mr. Ashabhai Vahaldas of Sokhada an old Congressman, has intimated to the District Magistrate of Kaira of his intention to offer Satyagraha on February 25.

Convictions In U. P.

BENARES, Feb. 20.

Two lady Satyagrahis named Jagrani Devi and Kishori Devi

Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali who has been sentenced to one year's simple imprisonment for offering Satyagraha in Delhi.

were sentenced to three months' imprisonment each.—United Press.

Sri Prakasha For Mirzapur Jail

BENARES, Feb. 20.

Pandit Govind Malaviya who was in the District Jail here has been transferred to Mirzapur to-day.

Mr. Sri Prakasha, M.L.A. (Central) has also been transferred to Mirzapur.—A. P.

Convicted In Lucknow

LUCKNOW, Feb. 21.

Pandit Rameshwar Prasad Misra a Member of the U.P.C.C. has been sentenced under the Defence of India Rules to six months' R. I. and fined Rs. 200, in default further imprisonment for six months. —A. P.

Khedan Lal Arrested

BENARES, Feb. 20.

Mr. Khedanlal, Congress Candidate in the by-election from the Benares-Gorakhpur non-Muslim constituency to the Central Assembly was arrested this morning under the Defence of India Rules. The arrest is said to have been made for a speech delivered by him on January 21 at a meeting convened in connection with the Hindu-Muslim unity day in the Town Hall.—A. P.

STUDENTS RELEASED.

Gulzarilal and Om Prakash, students of the National High School, Peshawar, who were arrested a few weeks ago for the possession of pamphlets entitled "Bolshevik" under the Defence of India Rules, were released to-day —United Press.

ARRESTS AND CONVICTIONS IN PUNJAB

LAHORE, Feb 21.

Following arrests and conviction are reported in connection with Congress Satyagraha in the Punjab:—

Lala Ramgan Nath Goyal, member of the Working Committee of the District Congress, Moga, sentenced to one year's R. I. and fined Rs. 200, in default three months further imprisonment.

Nauria Ram, General Secretary of the Ambala Congress Committee, Sardar Sampuran Singh and Bhichha Ram, sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment each at Ambala.

Mr. Mangal Das, member of the Working Committee of the P. P. C. C. arrested to-day. Mahashe Lakshman Das, President of the Jhang District Congress Committee, arrested. Mahashe Bishamber Dyal, Municipal Commissioner, arrested at Rohtak.

The names of about 25 Akali Congress workers from Jullundur District, who volunteered themselves for offering Satyagraha have, it is understood, been approved by Mahatma Gandhi.

Pannalal, a student of the Medical College, Lahore, was sentenced to-day by the City Magistrate to two years' rigorous imprisonment under Sec. 38 of the Defence of India Act.—A. P.

CONVICTIONS IN MADRAS

MADRAS, Feb. 21.

The following further convictions in connection with Satyagraha have been reported from the districts:—

MADURA: Mr. A. K. Balarama Raja, three months' R. I. and fine of Rs. 1,000.

Mr. Kamatchi Chettiar of Aruppukottai, three months' R. I. and fine of Rs. 750.

NANDYAL: Mr. M. Subba Reddy, Advocate, three months' R. I. and fine of Rs. 100 in default further one month R. I.

TANJORE: Mr. Kuppusami Bhagavathar eight days' R. I. under the Town Nuisance Act.

CHICACOLE: Mr. K. Subbarao, Advocate, one year R. I.

Hartal Against Student's Arrest

MADURA, Feb. 21

A student of the American College, Madura, was arrested last evening under the Defence of India Rules and produced before the District Magistrate who remanded him to custody.

The police had searched his room in the College Hostel a few days ago, and taken into possession some papers.

All the 600 students of the College have gone on a "one day" strike to-day protesting against the arrest.

Ex-Detenu Arrested

CALCUTTA, Feb. 21.

Mr. Kshitish Chandra Banerjee, an ex-detenu, was arrested by the Special Branch of the Calcutta Police this morning and sent to the Presidency Jail for Detention under the Defence of India Rules. —A. P.

The Guildhall, one of London's most historic and famous civic buildings, was almost completely destroyed in the Nazi fire raid on the night of December 28th-29th. The oldest parts of the Guildhall dated from 1411. Photo shows: the gutted remains of the historic Banqueting Hall.

"We Are Determined To Overthrow Sind Ministry"

Pact Or No Pact, League Ministers Have Violated Gentleman's Agreement, Says Allahbux

KARACHI, Feb. 21

"We are determined to overthrow the Ministry. The three Muslim League Ministers by violating the gentleman's agreement have shown that they cannot be depended upon", declared Khan Bahadur Allahbux, Finance Minister, who returned to Karachi this morning from Shikarpur, in an interview to the "United Press".

The Khan Bahadur added: 'One of my partymen is giving notice of a no-confidence motion today."

Referring to Mr. Jinnah's statement that the Azad pact is a myth Khan Bhadur Allahbux observed: "Pact or no pact, the crux of the matter is that the Muslim League Ministers have violated the gentleman's agreement and made a meal of their own word of honour".

As regards the party's strength Khan Bahadur Allahbux said: "My party is composed of 15 Muslims while the Muslim League cannot command more than ten Muslims. I am confident that with the co-operation of the Congress and Hindu Parties we will be able to dislodge the League Ministers and form an alternative national ministry."—United Press.

LEAGUE MINISTER STANDS BY JINNAH

Sind Premier Wants Time For Decision

KARACHI, Feb. 20.

Mr. Jinnah's 'firman' from Delhi sabotaging the Azad Pact has been received in Karachi with mixed feelings.

While the Muslim League circles welcome it, the Congress, Allahbux and Hindu Parties characterise it as unfortunate, as it foreshadows fresh trouble in the Province.

Interviewed by the "United Press", Sheikh Abdul Majid, Muslim League Minister, said: "Mr. Jinnah has voiced my feelings and those of other Muslim Leaguers in Sind. The so-called Azad Pact was repudiated by me from the beginning, as it bears no signatures of the parties concerned. It was an arrangement between individuals, for which parties should not be held responsible."

HINDUS' STAND

Rai Sahib Gokuldas, Hindu Minister, interviewed, said: "The Hindus stand pledged to the Pact, and we are bound by a solemn undertaking to implement its provisions. As the three Muslim League Ministers have been advised to backout, our duty along with the Allahbux Group and the Congress is clear. We may resign our seats from the Cabinet and support a no-confidence motion against the Muslim League Ministers. The final decision, however, rests with the party, which is meeting on February 25.

In an interview, Mir Bundehali Khan Talpur, the Premier, said: "I do not want to say anything till I have seen Khan Bahadur Khurro and obtained first-hand information from him. On his return from Delhi, we three Muslim League Ministers will meet and decide the future course."

In any case, political observers feel that the Budget session of the Assembly which commences on February 26 would be a stormy one.—United Press.

Dr. Naidu's Talks With Congress

Deadlock Can Be Ended, If Govt. Is Earnest

BOMBAY, Friday.

Dr. P. Varadarajulu Naidu, General Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, who had an interview with Mahatma Gandhi at Wardha, arrived in Bombay at noon to-day to hold discussions with Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the Hindu Mahasabha.

Interviewed by a "Chronicle" representative Dr. Naidu said "After my talks with Gandhiji I am hopeful that a solution could be found for ending the present deadlock. I had a very frank and heart-to-heart talk with Gandhiji with regard to different aspects of the political and communal situation in India, and I had a number of points clarified. Gandhiji's mind is clear on the issue on which he has started the Satyagraha movement.

"I wish to discuss things with Mr. Savarkar and Mr. C. Rajagopalachari whom I have been permitted to interview in the Trichinopoly prison. If necessary, Gandhiji has advised me to see him again at Sewagram."

Referring to the message of the Associated Press published to-day regarding his interview with Mahatma Gandhi, Dr. Naidu said:—

"That the Congress would not co-operate with the Government so long as the Congress demand remained unconceded, is not wholly correct. I will be able to explain this in full only after a week."

Dr. Naidu further said that though the proposals put forward were on his own initiative, he had, no doubt, that the Hindu Mahasabha would wholeheartedly support his effort.

"Mahatma Gandhi is a very reasonable politician" he added "and if the Government makes an earnest attempt, it will not be impossible to solve the present deadlock."

The main proposal put forward by Dr. Naidu for solving the deadlock, it is reliably understood, is that the British Government should make an unequivocal declaration, without any delay, that they would grant genuinely responsible Government to India at the end of the war and that for the present, all the political parties and minority communities should join together to evolve a plan for ending the deadlock. It should be agreed that all questions relating to communal differences, etc. should be shelved for the present and taken up immediately after the war.

A scheme for the formation of non-party Governments in the provinces must be evolved without delay. For this purpose, Dr. Naidu, it is understood, has suggested a conference of all the political parties and representatives of minority communities to be convened by the Viceroy. The Government should see its way to accept the formula arrived at with regard to the formation of popular governments at the centre and in the provinces.

RIGHT TO FREEDOM OF SPEECH

Regarding the Congress demand for freedom of speech, the proposal of Dr. Naidu seems to be that the Government should concede the demand but the Congress should, for the present, show a "neutral attitude with regard to war."

The trend of discussions which he had with Mahatma Gandhi were communicated by Dr. Naidu to Mr. V. D. Savarkar at an interview to-night. The interview continued up to 8-45 p. m. at "Savarkar Bhuvan" at Shivaji Park, Dadar.

Dr. Naidu will resume discussions with Mr. Savarkar on Saturday morning.

Dr. Moonje Criticises Congress

AKOLA, Feb. 21.

The experience of the last twenty years had proved that the methods and programmes of the Congress for achieving independence had failed, and the Congress had now forfeited the right to speak on behalf of any Indian community, said Dr. B. S. Moonje at a public meeting here held under the presidentship of Mr. B. G. Khaparde. Dr. Moonje observed: "On Britain's success in this war lie India's chances of winning freedom, hence in our own interest we must help Britain with man power."

Dr. Moonje urged Hindu youths to join the army in large numbers and become fit to save India from external and internal aggression. In the light of the Pakistan scheme, added Dr. Moonje, Gandhi's much coveted Hindu-Muslim unity was now an impossibility.

Dr. Moonje declared that the Muslims were sitting on the fence. They wanted Muslim predominance with or without Britain's help. The Muslims had absolutely no faith in non-violence and if, unfortunately, India lost her association with Britain armed frontier-Muslims with internal help would step in to rule India and Mahatma Gandhi's "non-violent takli army" would not be able to save India from such a calamity.

Dr. Moonje advised the Congress to merge into the Hindu Mahasabha at this "opportune moment" because, according to him, the joint efforts of the two organisations would positively regain the freedom of the people and enable them to maintain it.—A. P.

Liberals At It Again

Conference In March To Solve Indian Deadlock

LUCKNOW, Feb. 21

It is understood that a conference is likely to be held early in March, PROBABLY IN BOMBAY to see what steps can be taken for the removal of the present political deadlock and to consider the changes to be made in the constitution of Government at the Centre.

Prominent leaders including Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, Sir Nripendra Nath Sircar, ex-Law Member of the Government of India, Mr. V. D. Savarkar, Mr. M. S. Aney, and Sir Chimanlal Setalvad, it is stated, are likely to attend the Conference.—A. P.

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